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Date of Sailing. Saturday 2 P. M.	Steamers.	Tons.	Connecting at Aden with	Tons.
10th Nov.	MARMORA	10509	.....	.....
17th "	ORIENTAL	5284	BRITANNIA	6525
24th "	EGYPT	7912	.....	.....
1st Decr.	ARCADIA	6903	MOOLTAN	9021
8th "	MACEDONIA	10512	.....	.....
15th "	ORIENTAL	5284	HIMALAYA	6898
22nd "	ARABIA	7903	.....	.....
29th "	CALEDONIA	755	MOLDAVIA	9500
1907.				
5th Jan.	PERSIA	7951	.....	.....
12th "	OCEANA	6610	VICTORIA	6522
19th "	CALEDONIA	7558	.....	.....
26th "	ORIENTAL	5284	CHINA	7912
2nd Feb.	OCEANA	6610	.....	.....
9th "	PENINSULAR	5294	INDIA	7911
16th "	EGYPT	7912	.....	.....
23rd "	ORIENTAL	5284	MONGOLIA	9505
2nd Mar.	ARABIA	7903	.....	.....
9th "	PENINSULAR	5294	BRITANNIA	6525
16th "	PERSIA	7951	.....	.....
23rd "	ORIENTAL	5284	MARMORA	10509
30th "	CALEDONIA	7558	.....	.....
6th Apr.	* MACEDONIA	10512	.....	.....
13th "	CHINA	7912	.....	.....
20th "	PENINSULAR	5294	MOLDAVIA	9500
27th "	EGYPT	7912	.....	.....
4th May	ORIENTAL	5284	HIMALAYA	6898
11th "	ARABIA	7903	.....	.....
18th "	PENINSULAR	5294	VICTORIA	6522
25th "	PERSIA	7951	.....	.....

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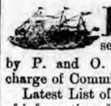

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IMPERATRIX	4213	16th "
AFRICA	4596	1st April.
IMPERATOR	4140	16th "
KOERBER	5301	1st May.
BOHEMIA	4282	16th "
AFRICA	4596	1st June.

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B	Aston Hall	3,880	" 25	Nov. 8	" 21	Dec. 10
A	City of York	7,006	Nov. 1	" 13	" 23	" 21
B	Merton Hall	4,331	" 9	" 19	Dec. 1	Dec. 7
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NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTY-FIFTH DIVIDEND of Rs. 60 (Sixty) per Share for the half year ended 30th June, 1906, will, on production of Share Certificates, be paid at the Company's Registered Office, on and after the 12th November, 1906, between 12-30 noon and 3-30 p.m., (S. T.), to those Shareholders, whose names stood in the Company's Register on the 16th Instant,

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PROCLAMATION.—BOMBAY TO WIT. —By virtue of a Precept to me directed, I hereby proclaim and give notice, that the Fifth SESSIONS of 1906 of OYER and Terminer, and GENERAL GAOL DELIVERY will be holden before the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, at the Court, House, on Tuesday, the 20th November, 1906, at half past 10 O'clock in the forenoon, for the trial of all Treasons, Murders, and other Felonies, Perjury, Trespasses and other Crimes, Misdemeanors and Offences had, done, or committed within the Town and Island of Bombay, and the Limits thereof, and the Factories subordinate thereto; and also to inquire, hear and determine, in the like manner, all Treasons, Murders, Felonies, Forgeries, Perjuries, Crimes, Extortions, Misdemeanors, Offences, Wrongs and Oppressions, had, done or committed by any of His Majesty's British Subjects in any of the Territories which now are subject to or dependent upon the Government of Bombay, or within any of the Dominions of the Native Princes of India in alliance with the said Government.

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And I hereby give notice to all persons bound to prosecute and give evidence at the above Sessions, or in any way concerned therein, that they are to attend at the time and place abovementioned, and not to depart without leave of the Court.

And I hereby give notice to all Justices of the Peace, Coroners, Mechastors and also all Chief Constables and Bailiffs of the Town and Island of Bombay and the limits thereof, that they be then and there in their own persons, with their Rolls, Records, Indictments and other Remembrances to do those things which to their offices in that behalf appertain to be done—Dated this 5th day of November, 1906.

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DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that Messrs. AHMED RAHIMTULA SAYANI and MAHOMED RAHIMTULA SAYANI, Executors of the Will of the late Mr. RAHIMTULA MAHOMED SAYANI, have contracted to sell to our Client the undermentioned property. All persons having any claim or interest thereto or therein or to in or upon any part thereof either by way of gift, inheritance, sale, mortgage, charge, lease, lien, trust or otherwise howsoever are required to make known the same in writing to the Undersigned at their Office at Esplanade Road, Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof failing which the said sale will be completed without reference to any such claim or interest and the same, if any, will be treated as waived.

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SECONDLY,—All that piece or parcel of land or ground of Pension and Tax tenure being a portion of Bhayscllicha Dongar containing by admeasurement 4896 Square Yards or thereabouts situate at Warli near Mahim in the City and Island of Bombay and Registration District of Bombay, and bounded on the East by the ground of Madhawdas Sett, on the West by the ground of Appaji Gangaji, on the North by a passage, and on the South by the ground of Chimaji, Rattanji and bearing new Survey No. 3237 is registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue along with another piece of land bearing New Survey No. 3264, under Collector's Old Nos 341,341. 414,416, 416, 416, 686 and 696, and Collector's New Nos 4069, 4070, 4194, 4197, to 4199, 4640, 4645, and Old Survey No, and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Bombay Municipal rates and taxes under G Ward No 375, Street No 275, and the aforesaid piece of land is now in the possession of the said Ahmed RahimtullaSayani and Mahomed Rahimtula Sayani, as such Executors as aforesaid.

THIRDLY :—All that piece, of Hilly land called Bhagalay, at Warli, of the Pension and Tax tenure measuring by admeasurement 1548 Square Yards or thereabouts, and bounded on the North by the land of Keroba Luxuman, on the South by the land of Vithoba Harichand, and on the East and West by the land of Sir Mungaldas Nathoobhai, and situate in Warli, in the Island of Bombay, in the Registration Sub District of Bombay, bearing New Survey, No. A/3238, and Registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue along with 3 other pieces of land bearing New Survey Nos. A/3232, A/3213, A/3291, under Collector's Old Nos, 341, 341, 414, 416, 416, 416, 686, and 696, and Collector New Nos 1/4069, 4070, 4194, 4197, 4199, 4640, 4648, and Old Survey No 5, and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Bombay Municipal rates and taxes under G. Ward No 374, and Street No. 276, and the aforesaid piece of land is now in the possession of the said Ahmed Rahimtula Sayani and Mahomed Rahimtula Sayani, as such executors as aforesaid.—Dated this 6th day of November, 1906.

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SALES BY AUCTION.

MENESSE AND COMPANY,
No. 33, HUMMUM STREET.

AUCTION SALE of Dates.

Under instructions from the B. I. S. N. Company, Messrs. MENESSE & Co., will sell by Public Auction THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 7th instant, at 3-30 p.m. (S. T.) at Mazagon Darookhana Bunder on account of the concerned—

Ex s. s. Waroonga and Kasara.

A quantity of dates.

TO-MORROW THURSDAY, the 8th instant, Messrs MENESSE and Co., will hold their usual Weekly Auction Sale at their rooms of a quantity of piece-goods and other sundry goods &c., &c.

A quantity of piece-goods such as shirtings, jaconets, dhooties, &c.

On account and at the risk of Mr. Pudumsey Hurry.

6936—8859-65—7 Bales grey drills.
" —5991-96—6 " do.
" —6051 —1 " do.

On account and at the risk of Mr. Jaithalal Soonderjee.

8353—8752-59—8 cases fancy prints.
8525—9034 and 9038-2 " do.

On account and at the risk of Mr. Mahomedally Lookmanjee.—

B. 2289. C. L.—12966-73—8 cases fancy velvet.

AUCTION SALE OF RAILWAY PLANT, STORES, &c., &c., at the B. B. and C. I. Railway Company's Stores Depot. Parel.

Messrs. MENESSE & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY, the 20th. and WEDNESDAY, the 21st instant, at 1. p.m., at the B. B. and C. I. Railway Company's Store Depot, Parel.

A quantity of railway plant, stores, &c., &c., consisting of forges, India rubber scrap, bolts and nuts, rivets, drums, kegs, lamps of sorts, old rail pieces, tanks bridge materials, zinc scrap, cast and wrought iron and steel, scrap of sorts, wood, locks, axles, cut pieces earthenware pans, old files, iron tubes, stoneware pipes, portable, engine and miscellaneous other stores.

The materials have been already weighed, and the weighment marked on each lot, and purchasers must accept this as final.

A deposit of 25 per cent will be required when the lots are knocked down, and the balance must be paid and the goods removed away within one month, failing which the same will be sold on account and risk of the first purchaser.

A monthly rent of Rs. 3 per square yard will be charged by the Company as ground rent on all lots that are not removed within the stipulated time allowed for their removal.

MENESSE & Co.

BOMBAY, 7TH NOVEMBER, 1906.

BENNETT & COMPANY,
No. 22, APOLLO STREET.

AUCTION SALE of very valuable building plot, at the corner of Wodehouse Road and opposite to the Crescent.

Under instruction from the Bombay City Improvement Trust, Messrs. BENNETT & Co., will, THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 7th instant, at 4-30 p. m. (S. T.), sell by Public Auction on the plot.

The right of occupancy of Plot No. 11 B on the Trust's Wodehouse Road, Estate containing about 2231 Square Yards of building area and about 1245 Square Yards of free garden area for a term of 99 years.

Plans of the site, conditions of sale building conditions, form of lease and all further particulars can be had on application from Trust Engineer, Trust Building, Fort, or to the Undersigned.

BONA FIDE SALE.

On SATURDAY, the 10th instant, at 2 p. m. (S. T.), Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Pedder Road, Cumballa Hill, the very valuable and handsome F. P. teakwood and blackwood household furniture, rich glass and crockery ware, one full size mahogany, slate billiard table by Roberts with balls, cues lamps, etc. complete, one sweet tone mahogany cottage piano, by Brimsmed & Co. in very good order, very valuable large size Persian and Brussels carpets, "Josts" Patent Fans, large size Iron Chubb's safe, large size brass and iron bedsteads, rich table ornaments, China and Japanese vases. One handsome strong Madras built square London by " Simpson, " a large collection of choice and rare plants in tubs, pots, &c., &c., the property of Frank Ritchie, Esq., late Superintendent, P. & O. S. N. Co.

N. B.—The plant will be sold on the same day at 5 p.m.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

ON SATURDAY, the 10th instant, at 3-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, etc.

AT 2 P.M, (S. T.)

1 handsome strong glass fronted miniature brougham, in good order.
1 handsome strong palanquin office shigram, in very good order.
1 handsome strong victoria in good order.
1 waler cob, 14-2, in height and serviceable very quiet, goes well in harness.
1 grey pony quiet in harness and saddle.
1 bay Arab, quite in harness.

BONA-FIDE SALE.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 28th instant., at 2 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by public Auction, at Harkness Road, Malabar Hill, the very valuable and handsome English-made drawing-room furniture by "Maples and Co., and blackwood and teakwood plain and open carved French-polished house hold, furniture by " Wimbridge and Roberts, " rich crockery and glassware, large Persian carpets, telescopic and hanging kerosine lamps, handsome China and Japanese vases, valuable bronze ornaments large glass book-cases and alamirahs, dressing and wash-hand-tables, iron and brass single and double bedsteads with wire mattresses, cane bamboos chairs, &c., &c., the property of F. C. REMINGTON, Esq.

Catalogues will be published and the property on view 3 days before the sale.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE BUNGALOWS without houses and stables at Napean Sea Road, Malabar Hill.

Under instruction from the Trustees of the trust Settlement of the late Rai Sahebchal Purshotam Bamji, deceased, Messrs BENNETT & Co., will on WEDNESDAY, the 12th December next at 4 p.m. (Bombay Time) sell by Public Auction (if not previously sold) on the premises either in one or in two separate lots as may suit the intending purchasers the following very valuable landed properties :—

LOT No. 1.

All that piece of land with the bungalow, stables, outhouses and all others the buildings erected thereon registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue of Bombay, under No. 47 Pension, and Tax assessed under No. 104, Quit and Ground rent and Collector's Old Nos. 573 and 104, New Nos. 2737 and 11315, and old Survey No. 841, New survey No. 7140, Assessed by the Municipality under Ward D No. 3321 (1), and Street No. 1, situate at Napean Sea Road, Malabar Hill, in the City and Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement three thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine (3959) square yards or there-abouts, and whereof 975 square yards are of the quite and ground rent tenure and the remainder that of Pension and Tax and bounded on the north by the property being a portion of the self same property of which lots No. 1 and 2, now sold formed part formerly belonging to Jamsetjee Curmjee Bottlboy, and now to the Estate of the late Haji Haroon Seedick, deceased, on the South by Lot No. 2, herein after described, on the West by the Sea shore, and on the East by Napean Sea Road aforesaid and now occupied by Mr. A. M. Jivanji Bohra, Merchant, a tenant of the Vendors.

LOT No. II.

All that piece of land with the two bungalows, stables, outhouses and all others the buildings erected thereon registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue of Bombay, under No. 47 Pension and tax assessed under No. 104, quit and ground rent and Collectors Old Nos. 573 and 104, New Nos. 2737 and 11315, and old Survey No. 841, New Survey No. 7140, Assessed by the Municipality under Ward D Nos. 3321 (2) and 33 4 (3), and Street Nos. 2 and 3, situate at Napean Sea Road Malabar Hill, in the City and Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement three thousand four hundred and ten (3410) square yards or there abouts whereof 1207 square yards are of the quit and ground rent tenure and the remainder that of the Pension and Tax and bounded on the North by Lot No. I hereinabove described on the South by the property formerly of Framji Cowasji Marker but now of Hormazji Edulji Kashinath, on the West by the Sea-shore, and on the East by

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COMMERCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 5.

SECURITIES—			
2½ per cent. Consols	86 7/16	=	— 1-8
3 per cent. Rentes	95 3-4	=	+ 1/4
3½ per cent. Indian Sterling Loan	103 3/4	=	— 1/8
3½ per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	84 9/16	=	unchanged
SILVER—			
Spot in London	32 3/4	=	+ 1/8
2 months hence	32 5/8	=	+ 1-16
Spot in New York	71	=	+ 1-8
EXCHANGES—			
Paris cheques	25·22 1-2	=	+ 1
Berlin cheques	20·51 1/2	=	unchanged
New York Demand	4·85 7/8	=	"
DISCOUNTS—			
Bank of England	6 pr. ct.	=	unchanged
3 months' sight Bank Bills	5 7/8 "	=	"
6 months' sight Bank Bills	5 1/4 "	=	"
4 months' sight Fine Trade Bills	6 1/4 "	=	"
6 months' sight Fine Trade Bills	6 1/4 "	=	"
INTEREST—			
Day to day loans	4 1/2	=	unchanged
7 day market loans	5 1/4	=	— 1-8

Amount paid into the Bank of England about £175,000.

RUBBER—
Para Rubber 5 1 1/2 value
WHEAT—quiet but steady
Afloat for U. K. 1,760,000.
RAPESEED—quiet
LINSEED—
Linseed Bold 44 1/2 + 1/8 Oct-Nov. buyers, firmer.
COFFEE—
Coffee in New York 7 7/8.
ARRIVAL—
Steamer—Crewe Hall.

IN LIVERPOOL—

Cotton Market closed			quiet
East Indian			quiet
Manchester			easier
Total Sales			7,000
Spot			3/72+2
Egyptian F G F Brown			2 5/8
Sold on speculation and for Export			500
Imports			16,000
Futures closed			steady.
Nov.-Dec. 5·24	Dec.-Jan. 5·24		Jan.-Feb. 5·36
Feb.-Mar. 5·39	Mar.-April 5·41		April-May. 5·44
+ 1	— 0		+ 1
May-June. 5·46	June-July.		July-Aug. 5·50
— 9	— 9		+ 1
Receipts at U. S. Ports			74,000
Do. last year			64,000
Exports to Great Britain			21,000
Do. do. Continent			33,000

IN NEW YORK—

Spot	10·20
Futures, month of Dec.	9·70—12
Do. month of March	9·35—11

" Declined owing to liquidation and to bear pressure and bulls unloading.

IN NEW ORLEANS—

Spot	10
Futures, month of Dec	mutilate[d]
Do. month of Jan	9
Tone at close	barely steady

New York market closed to-morrow.

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay for the 48 hours ending 6 p.m. on 5th Nov.

Cotton	2,122	bales.
Wheat	9,090	cwts.
Linseed	3,636	do
Rape, Rai and Mustard	1,187	do
Gingellyseed	15,625	do
Poppyseed	304	do
Groundnuts	517	do
Castorseed	93	do
Rice	86	do
Myrabollams	780	do
Cottonseed	4,208	do
Mowrasseed	500	do
Gram	918	do
Jowyar	2,422	do
Maize	13	do

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Gold bullion Rs. 3,79,928.
Ex s.s " Delhi " from Australia

BOMBAY, TUESDAY EVENING.

THE cotton advises from the Governing markets continue quiet and declining. Receipts continue very heavy, and we hear little now of unfavourable weather reports. The general opinion seems to be that the crop will not suffer so much in quantity as it will in quality from the late rains.

Our local market is also dull and declining. The purchases reported are chiefly confined to the bazaar, covering previous sales, Export houses are sellers at current rates. At the close quotations were about Re. 1 lower than the Official rates given below.

The money market is steadier, sterling exchange is strong and advancing and rupee paper is quiet. Mills shares are also quiet and declining. We quote.

Petits	Rs.	3,570	
Davids	"	445	
Kohinoor	"	735	
Jansheds	"	190	

EXCHANGE.—Tone. Strong.

Bank T. T.	... ...	... 1s. 4d
Bank Demand	... ...	1s. 4 1/16d.
Credit Bills 3 Months' Sight	D. A.	...1s. 4 11/32d. to 3/8
Do. 6 do do.		1s. 4 9/16d.
French Francs 3 m/s sight	D A	... 171 1/4
Marcks 3 do. do.	... ...	... 140 1/4
Hongkong 30 Days' Sight		... 167 1/2
Shanghai 30 do. do.		... 229
Japan 30 do. do.		... 150

GOVERNMENT PAPER—3 1/2 per cent. Tone quiet.

Cash	... ...	... 96-13
1st Settlement. 30th November		... 96-13

Money Market, Tone steady.

BANK RATE—

Bank of England since 19th Oct.		6	per cent.
Bank of Bombay do. 12th Sept.		5	do.
Bank of Bengal do. 11th Oct.		6	do.
Bank of Madras do. 18th Sept.		5	do.

SEEDS.

Linseed.—Tone. Firm.		
Ready	... Rs.	7-11-0
Forward December.	... Rs.	8-2-0
April-May	... Rs.	7-9-0
Rapeseed.—Tone. Steady.		
Brown Cawnpore, Ready	... Rs.	9-1-0
Do. forward April-May	... Rs.	7-9-0
" Yellow Guzerat	... Rs.	
Do. forward April-May	... Rs.	7-14-0
Poppyseed.—Tone. Firm.		
Ready	... Rs.	9-11-0
Forward April-May ...	... Rs.	8-7-0
Castorseed.—Tone. Firm.		
Ready	... Rs.	44-0
Forward	... Rs.	35-0
Gingellyseed.—Tone firm.		
Howree Khandeish ready	... Rs.	51-0
15 per cent. Mixed Dec.-Jan	... Rs.	47-0
25 " " "	... Rs.	46-0
50 " " "	... Rs.	45-0
Black Kutnee " "	... Rs.	41-8
Wheat.—Tone. Quiet.		
White Delhi. April-May	... Rs.	4-9

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone	easier.
Estimated sales	8,000 bales.
Imports	43,000 "

Nov.-Dec. 5·28	Dec.-Jan. 5·28	Jan.-Feb. 5·30
—6	—6	—6
Feb.-Mar. 5·33	Mar.-Apl. 5·35	Apl.-May. 5·39
—6	—6	—5
May-June. 5·41	June-July. 5·43	July-Aug. 5·43
—5	—5	—5

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association Limited :—

	Fine.	F-G	Goods.	Delivery.
Bengal, H G (Ry terms)	183	178	..	25 Jan.
Bengals M G (Ry terms)	195	187	..	25 Nov
Do (M.-G.)	194	186	..	25 Jan.
Oomrawutteo (descriptions) M.-G.	210	204	..	do
Khandeish (M.-G)	206	199	..	do
Julgaum (M.-G)	208	201	..	do
Khangaum, fai staple (M.-G)	211	205	..	do
Karanja do (M.-G)				
Akola do (M.-G)				
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (M.-G)	220	214	..	do
Nagpur Kamptee (M.-G)	226	220	..	do
Broach (M.-G)	253	...	238	25 Mar.
Muttia (M. G.)	206	200	..	25 Jan.
S. Punjab	195	187	...	25 do
Do.	194	186	...	25 do

A CITY business house, trying to collect funds for the Christmas trees of the Poor Children's Yuletide Association, wrote to various firms with which it has dealings, suggesting help for this purpose. One of these concerns has a capital of about £8,000,000, and within the last eighteen months the house has paid it over £7,000. The secretary wrote, in reply to the application, that he was instructed by his executive to express regret that they are unable to contribute anything on behalf of the poor children.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Djibouti, 2,797 tons, Captain C Bourelaux, will sail to-day for Havre, &c with a general cargo.

THE German East Africa Line steamer General 1,480 tons, Captain Muhlbaver, arrived in harbour yesterday from Durban with a general cargo and a number of deck passengers.

THE Anchor Line steamer Circassia, 4,315 tons, Captain A Haig, arrived in harbour yesterday from Glasgow and Liverpool, with a general cargo and passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Bullmba, 1,607 tons Captain H Bomber arrived in harbour yesterday from the Persian Gulf via Karachi, with a general cargo, 75 cases opium 41 horses, and Mr Cranborough and a number of deck passengers.

MEN-OF-WAR & ROYAL INDIAN MARINE SHIPS.

IN THE STREAM.

H M S Fox	Capt. J B Eustace ... Royal Navy
H M S Perseus	Capt H Christian ... R Navy
R I M S Canning	Comdr Vale ... R I M

FOREIGN NAVY.

Cababria Cruiser	Capt Enrico ... Italian Navy

IN GOVT. DOCKYARD.

Force Torpedo Boats	... Royal Navy

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR—Nov. 6.

Ascot	2785 Booth	E Latham & Co
Ben Vrakie	2909 Findlay	W & A Graham & Co
Bullmba	1607 Bamber	M M & Co
Craighall	2867 Low	M M & Co
Dumra	763 Morris	M M & Co
Henzada	1340 Logan	M M & Co
Inverness	2401 Clarkson	Cory Bros & Co
Lalpoora	3124 Sharp	M M & Co
Loodiana	3124 Seddon	M M & Co
Mahanadi	547 Hoosein	Karachi ...Bo S N Co
Mortlake	1737 Batten	T M & Co
Newbridge	2397 Notman	K N & Co
Nizam	2041 Crebbin	I M & Co
Shahjehan	2866 Davison	Shah S N Co
Shah Allum	1918 Revill	Shah S N Co
Scindia	2050 Ruddock	Calcutta ...M M & Co
Sofala	3436 Shepherd	M M & Co
William Storrs	2324 Hill	Bo & P S N Co

VESSELS IN DOCK.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Tarrier Nilsen F P Bampbell and Co.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination	Dat.	Agents.
A	Delhi	4783	Andrews	Shanghai	13-11	P & O S
B	Castello	2339	Leighton	Hull	10-11	P M & Co
C&H	Crosby Hall	2586	Leary	Antwerp	15-11	K N & Co
F	Nerbudda	2900	Dewing	27ar	8-11	M M & Co
G	Rson		Weidemann			T M & Co
K	Zalda	2903	Rait	Jeddah	8-11	M M & Co
M	Shah Ameer	1922	Grant	Jaddah		N P Shah S N Co
N	Vadilvia	3195	Reid	Baltimore	12-11	R A Wills
P	Nigaristan	1491	Edmunds	Newport	10-11	K N & Co
Q	Islami	1403	Newby	Jeddia	8-11	B & P S N Co
	Circassia	4315	Haig			W & A G & Co

H W P D

Puri	643	Ahmad	C Mandvi	7-11	B S N C

VICTORIA DOCK.

3	Dec Baldinno	3044	Brusaca	Genoa	10-11 F Crocco
5	Clan Macalister	3060	Sommerpel	Tuticorin	15-11 F M & Co
6	D'Jibouti	3798	Bourepaux	Havre	5-11 J M & Co
7	Bombay Maru	3396	Ishikawa	Kobe	10-11 N Y Kaisha
9	Neuenfels	3536	Wesloth	K'chi	17-11 Glade & Co
10&11	Marmora	5000	Langborne	London	10-11 P & O Co
12	Silesia	3540	Stabile	Trieste	6-11 F Scarpa
15	Capri	2717	Egleito		17-11 F Crocco
	Chupra	3954	England		M M & Co

M W D D

H M S Hermes	3600	Nicholson	N F ... R Navy

ARRIVALS.

Nov.	Vessel.	Commander	From.
6	Circassia s	Haig	Glasgow, Oct 6
	Bullmba s	Bamber	Buseh, Oct 23
	General s	Muhlbaner	Durban, Oct 8

DEPARTURE.

Nov.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
6	Silesia s	Stabile	Trieste

The steamer Djibouti, Captain Bourdaux, obtained her port-clearance yesterday for Havre, &c.

The following vessels began to load yesterday.

Steamer Circassia, for Liverpool, &c.
" Ravn, for Port Said, (for orders).
" Bullmba, for Persian Gulf, &c.
" Baldutino, for Genoa.
" Capri, for China.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The N Y K steamer Totomi Maru, left Singapore for Colombo, on the 4th instant.

The same Co's steamer Riojim Maru, left Hongkong for Singapore yesterday.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

SQUADRON ORDERS.

Bombay, November 7.

1. There will be a Parade on the Church Gate Sands, this Wednesday morning the 7th Instant at 7-30 a. m.
Dress.—Drill Order, Khaki, sword and Carbine.
2. The Range at Colaba will be available for Practice on Saturday afternoon next the 10th instant, from 4 p.m.

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Comdg. B. L. H.

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REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COL. E. FERRERS NICHOLSON, V. D., COMMANDING B. V. R.

Bombay, November 7.

LEAVE.

No 278—With reference to Brigade Order No 1496 dated the 5th of November 1906 leave of absence out of India from the 10th of November 1906 is granted to Lieut-Colonel E Ferrers Nicholson, V D Commanding Bombay Volunteer Rifles, pending retirement.

P. R. CADELL, Major,
Acting Adjt. B. V. R.

DAILY EXPORTS.—NOV. 6.

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D Baldumino s—100 bales cotton Volkart Bros.

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Delhi—s 700 bales twist, Talati and Co; 500 bales twist, N Phiroz; 400 bales twist Phirozsha Petit and Co; 500 bales twist, H Mooltanchand, 700 bales twist, C Bomanjee and Co; 300 bales twist, Tata and Co; 500 bales twist, E Noordin and Co

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THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m. yesterday, give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague Attacks.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	0	0	4
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	0	0	7
C Market, Dhobi Talao Fanaswadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	1	1	18
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahalaxmi	0	0	11
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamathipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	0	0	28
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	0	0	3
G Mahim and Worli	2	0	7
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	
Hospitals	0	0	2
Total	3	1	189
Total plague deaths to date	133,917		
Same date last year	0	1	16

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcements of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES DEATHS and MEMORIAM Notice which must be authenticated by the name and address of the senders, is Rs. 2 for six lines or less and 8 as. for every additional lines. CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

LONGHURST—October 30, at Landour, the wife of Captain A. L. Longhurst, 2-10 Gurkha Rifles, of a daughter.
MACKENZIE—October 23, at Hathwa, Saran, the wife of Lieutenant K. W. MacKenzie, I. M. S. of a daughter.

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TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 3m. Sun sets, 5h. 25m.: High water 2-26m., 2-9a.; Low water, 8-30m., 8-2a.
Municipal Standing Committee, 3-30 p. m. (B. T.)
Telegraph Committee, to receive Local Government Deputation and Chamber of Commerce.

THE SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE.—A variety Entertainment will be given by the "Barefoot" minstrels on Thursday, November 8th at 8-30 p.m. (S. T.) Admission Free. Collection in aid of Institute Funds.

SIR MANGALDAS NATHUBHAI CHARITABLE DISPENSARY.—The total number of patients treated in this dispensary during the month of October was 1082 of whom 662 were males and 420 females.

TELEGRAPH COMMITTEE.—Members of the Telegraph Committee yesterday visited the Local telegraph offices. The members held private consultation and discussion among themselves during the course of the day.

MEHER CHARITABLE DISPENSARY.—The total number of patients treated during the month of October 1906 was 4,507, the daily average being 145. New admissions 1,041, Parsees 447, Hindoos 2,588, Mahomedans 1,000, Christians 472. 53 Children were vaccinated this month.

THE KHOJA SAJUNBHOY MEERALLY'S CHARITABLE DISPENSARY.—During the last month of October, 1906, the number of Khoja patients that were treated in this Dispensary was 2140. Among them the number of new admission was 528: classified as stated below :—men 150; women 158 and children 220; Total 528. The average daily attendance was 69.

POSTAL NOTICES.—Mails for Zanzibar and Mombassa per extra s. s. "Nerbudda" will be closed at the General Post Office at 10 a.m. to-morrow (the 8th November.) Mails for Natal, Cape Colony, Delagoa Bay and other places in South Africa per extra s. s. "Umfute" via Tuticorin and Colombo will be closed at the General Post-Office at 7-30 p. m. to-morrow (the 8th November.) A supplemental mail will be closed at 7 30 p. m. on the 9th inst.

YOUTHFUL THIEF SENT TO REFORMATORY.—Yesterday at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. A. H. S. Aston, acting Chief Presidency Magistrate, Mr. Kaikobad Mody, Chief constable, B. B. & C. I. Railway Police, charged Anah Bhagwant, a Hindu lad of 13 with stealing five seers of spices from the Carnac Bunder goodsyard. The boy pleaded guilty and was ordered to be sent to the Reformatory for 5 years.

CYCLE ACCIDENT.—Mr. F. W. Furnell, a European aged 18, and employed by the Eastern Telegraph Company, was riding his bicycle along Girgaum road on Monday afternoon. In attempting to pass a carriage in front of him he ran into a labour cart. He fell off the cycle, and sustained a fracture of the right leg. The middle finger of his left hand was crushed by one of the wheels of the cart. He was conveyed to the European General Hospital.

THE SEQUEL TO KAPAD BAZAR FIRE.—The case in which four pardeshis were charged with assaulting two European Officers of the Bombay Police on the night of the Kapad bazar fire at Mulji Jetha market was fixed for hearing yesterday at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. Aston, Chief Presidency magistrate. But Superintendent Flanagan appeared before his worship and asked permission to withdraw the charge. The court accorded the permission, and the charge was allowed to be withdrawn.

BAND AT THE BOMBAY GYMKHANA.—By kind permission of the Officer Commanding and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battalion B. B. and C. I. Railway Volunteer Corps will play the following Programme of Music under the direction of Mr. H. C. Dane at The Bombay Gymkhana commencing at 6 p. m. to-day.

March	A Cavalry ride ... Leonhardt
Selection from	The Cingalee ... Monckton
Waltz	Autograph ... Strauss
Reminiscences of Tosti	... Pougher
Song (Cornet)	Sing me to sleep ... Greene
Valse	San Sebastian ... Godwell

ABSCONDING MEHTA FOUND.—Yesterday, at the Mazagon Police Court, before Mr. P. H. Dastoor, second Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Murray charged Kursondas Odhawji, a Bania, with criminal breach of trust as a servant in respect of Rs. 4,000 in cash. Accused was a Mehta in the firm of Atmaram Gulabrai, a shroff, in Nagdevi Street. He was entrusted with Rs. 4,000 in cash on Saturday afternoon at 2 p.m., to be paid to two persons. But until 8 p.m., the accused did not return, and on inquiry it was ascertained that the money was not paid to the parties. A report was made to the police and the accused was arrested in Thana with the cash on his person. Mr. Setalvad, barrister, who defended the accused, asked the Magistrate to deal with the accused as a first offender, as he had been in the employ of the complainant for a long time and was invariably found an honest man until now. The Magistrate sentenced the accused to four months' simple imprisonment, and ordered the money found upon him to be returned to the complainant.

ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF COCAINE.—Before Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Chief Presidency Magistrate at the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, Mr. McMullen, Chief Inspector of opium, prosecuted Gopal Gosh, on the charge of possessing 35 grains of cocaine. Mr. Godinho, pleader, defended the accused. Accused arrived in Bombay on Monday last from Suez, and Mr. Cassels of the preventive service, having received information that accused had a quantity of cocaine in his possession he informed Mr. McMullen, and 35 grains of the drug was produced by the accused. Mr. Godinho, Pleader of the defence, said that the accused was away from India for the last twenty years and he did not know that a license was necessary to possess cocaine. He was an Ophthalmic Surgeon and wanted the drug to be used for the eyes of his patients. He had no time to apply for the license. Mr. McMullen replied that the Government resolution regarding the issue of the license distinctly laid down that it could not be granted to a person other than a medical officer. The possession of cocaine was made illegal since 1903 and as the accused was in Bombay last year he must know the law. Accused said that last year when he came to Bombay he remained in the City for three days only. The Magistrate warned and discharged the accused and ordered the cocaine to be confiscated

THE ACWORTH LEPER ASYLUM.—The Committee of the Acworth Leper Asylum Matunga beg to acknowledge with thanks the following donation, etc. for the months of August, September and October :—M Purushottam Mangaldas Nathubhoy Rs. 100 in memory of his late wife; Messrs. N. Powell & Co. Rs. 25 Mr N. S. Framji Madrasewalla Rs 37; an Exile Rs 132; Mr K. K. Sunavala Rs 5; Bai Ramporebai, widow of Mr. Luxmidas Khimji Joshi, Rs 5; in memory of the late Mrs Cursetbai Shapurji Jiwaji Rs 50; in memory of late Tribhuwandas Dalpatram Vakil Rs 10; Mr G S Manker, an idol of Gunpati, oil for illumination, crackers and feast to all the inmates for Divali and extension of the Hindu Temple; Mr Ratonshi Karamshi 125 Baniaas and Sweetmeats; Mr Furdunji Framji Kadaka, 25 Kambles; Doliwadia, Dadar and Tardeo grain merchants, Dr Manekhlal and Morlidhhar, Vaidya Raghunath Narayan and Messrs V M Mow Ratoo Gungajar, Hansraj Ratonshi, Padamshi Puncharia, Chana Hansraj Oomershi Virji, Viram Raisingh, Tala Dhana, Bhimshi Ranshi, Ratonshi Mepa, Otha Vardhaji, Tejashi Raghavji, Devraj Tokershi, Korshi Lodha, Bhima Lakhamshi, Savji Nenshi, Gover Hema, Lalji Panshi, Tokershi Dharsi, Hansraj Naiya, Keshav Khemraj, Jamnadas Shobharam, Tokershi Moolji, Gangadas Rangitdas, Padamshi Bharmal, Devshi Padamshi and Janardan Gopal Manki,—sweetmeats.

CONCERT IN THE Y. W. C. A. HALL.—The Concert given last night in the Y. W. C. A. Hall, Wellington Lines, in aid of the Wesleyan Orphanage, Mahim, proved a success in every respect. The programme consisted of two parts. The first part opened with a pianoforte solo by Dr. Venis, which was followed by Miss Baker's song "Sleep my love, sleep." Mr. H. G. Clark effectively gave "The Curfew," and equally successful was Major Keane in the recitation "Waterloo." The first part was wound up by a song by Madame Schultz, another by Mr. E. Abney, and a performance on the mandoline and guitar by Mr. S. Cilento and Mr. L. Martinelli. In the second part, Miss Eva Grogan distinguished herself by a pianoforte solo, which was followed by a song by Mrs. Hopkins. The other items in this part were a recitation by Mr. G. Sanderson, a song by Madame Schultz, and another by Mr. C. F. Sargon, as well as a performance on the mandoline and guitar. Upon the whole, the audience were very pleased with the evening's entertainment.

CHICAGO DOCTOR IN TROUBLE.

In the Mazagon Police Court, Bombay, yesterday afternoon, before Mr. P. H. Dastur, Second Presidency Magistrate, Superintendent Sloane of the Criminal Investigation Department, appeared to prosecute Piraji Shivaji Ganla, a Doctor of Medicine of Chicago, in America, for issuing false inoculation passes to persons travelling to places in the Deccan Hyderabad, without such persons having been inoculated at all. Mr. Chunilal H. Setalvad, with Mr. DeSouza, and Mr. Athavle, appeared for the accused.

Mr. Sloane said that Colonel Bannermen received information on 24th October, that accused was giving passes under rules framed by the Resident at Hyderabad, that people who were inoculated would not be detained in quarantine or segregation camps. On the following day Colonel Bannerman, who was the Director of the Plague Research Laboratory at Parel, sent an employe to Dr. Ganla, who issued to him a certificate, which the speaker produced in Court, Colonel Bannerman then gave himself in communication with the Police, who arranged to send two men to Dr. Ganla with marked money: the two men brought the certificates, which also the speaker produced before the Court. All the three certificates bore a date anterior to the date of issue, Accused's shop was searched and syringes and two bottles of serum were found. It was true that accused had applied to the authorities: but his application had been refused, and he had no authority to inoculate. The serum supplied to him was taken back from him. The charges were under Sections 218 and 420 of the Penal Code, viz., cheating, and doing a wrongful act, under the guise of a public servant, and framing an incorrect record or report.

Colonel W. D. Bannerman was examined in support of the above statement. Witness said the Laboratory had not issued to the accused any inoculating instruments or serum, as far as he knew. On the 24th October his man Ramji Babaji was sent for an anti-plague inoculation certificate: Ramji returned with it the next day. Witness wrote to the Commissioner on the 25th; Superintendent Sloane came and saw him at the Laboratory. So far as the books showed, three bottles of serum were issued to Dr. Ganla on 14th March 1905: but on the 14th they were recalled. Upto June of that year was there a correspondence between the witness and the accused over the matter.

Cross-examined by Mr. DeSouza, witness said: The induration might disappear in many cases. A medical man could yet syringe and serum anywhere. The bottles found with the accused had been issued from the Laboratory. Witness had no power to prevent one medical man passing on the serum to another. These two, bottles were not issued to Dr. Ganla.

Dr. R. Kapadia was also examined. He was Assistant in the Laboratory. All third class passengers, witness said, were kept in quarantine at Hyderabad, unless they produced certificates of inoculation.

Rama Babaji said he had bought anioculation certificate for Rs 1½; accused examined his eye, and took his thumb impression, but did not inoculate him.

Inspector Mirza Mahomed Ali deposed to having sent two more men to get such certificates from the accused. After they brought the certificates, the Inspector searched the accused's dispensary in Camatipura, and found in it four syringes, two bottles of serum, a book of certificate-forms and counterfoils, and another book of a similar description.

Narayen Nagapa, who with one Bhamaya Husenna, had bought the two other passes from the accused, was examined.

In Mr. Setalvad's cross-examination, witness said that the accused referred him to his compounder. The compounder told the accused that witness had been inoculated. In fact, he had been been inoculated by the accused twenty days before that. The compounder wrote the certificates, and accused signed them,

Further hearing was adjourned.

PASSENGERS PER S.S. "VILLE DE LA CIOTAT."

The following is the List of passengers on board the Messageries Maritimes Company's steamer "Ville de la Ciotat" expected to arrive here from Marseilles on Thursday the 8th Instant at 8 a.m.:—

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Anghien, Singh Sirdar
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Bunbury, Mr & Mrs
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Blackway, Mrs P J
Blair, Mr and Mrs
Bradford, Mr
Bergotrom, Miss
Barry, Miss
Blain, Mrs
Butler, Mr and Mrs
Bouhote, Mr
Cunningham, Cap A H
Cromwell, Col and Mrs
Cartwright, Major A M
Cargill, Lt R J
Cruttin, Lt W S
Colvin, Mr and Mrs J M C
Cresswell, Mr
Cooper, Mr Alleo
Cross, Miss
Chambell, Cap
Clement, Mrs
Davies, Major and Mrs
DeSouza, Mrs and Miss
Dundas, Lt
Danks, Mrs E
Dunnott, Mr Mrs and Miss
Daly, Mr K D R
Draffen, Mr
Deleuza, Mr and Mrs
Deschamps, Mrs
Dixon, Mr
Edmunstone, Mr
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Foncin, Mr
Factori, Mr
Forshaw, Mr
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Gray, Col
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Hunt, Lt
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INDIA'S MINERALS.

THE Mineral Production of India in 1905 is reported upon in the Records of the Geological Survey of India, to hand yesterday, by Mr. T. D. La Touche, officiating Director of the Department. It appears that almost every one of economic minerals was taken in larger quantities than in the previous year and the total value produced was £5,707,956, some £350,116 in excess of the values of 1904. Another indication of the increased activity as regards mining in India is afforded by the number of licences issued which still shows a gratifying upwards tendency. In the total value gold is represented by £2,416,906, and coal comes next at £1,436,951 while the greatest increase was in manganese ore which rose from £129,632 to £248,309 in the year. Of coal the output is set down at eight and a half million tons. The output exceeded all previous records, though the increase was not so great as in the previous year, being only 2·4 per cent. against 10·5 per cent. in 1904. No coal was produced during the year either in Kashmir or Burma, but in the latter province and in the Central Provinces new fields are being prospected or have been opened. The colliery at Warora has been definitely closed in consequence of a serious subsidence which took place in its working in March last. This action is the subject of a special chapter in the Records which shows us that notwithstanding all the mineral wealth of India we are only just learning how to make the most of it. The collapse of the workings at Warora was due to nothing more than ignorance as to the manner in which most efficaciously to take from the earth the treasure it holds for us. The Warora collieries when worked under able management went well, but the report of the Chief Inspector of Mines on the accident stated that in his opinion the subsidence of March last was directly due to defects in the method of working. Instead of extracting each seam separately and allowing a considerable interval of time to elapse between adjacent workings, both seams were mined at the same time. The coal pillars also were too small and the result of the methods adopted was the workings were very unstable and the isolation of fires rendered extremely difficult. The mistakes were however made years ago and the present management cannot be considered responsible. Miners of to-day learn by the follies of their predecessors, but it is a costly proceeding, for in the case of Warora not less than seventy per cent. of the proved area had to be dammed off in order to subdue the large number of underground fires which occurred. Coal has been struck some thirty-eight miles further down the valley and Warora's machinery and plant is being carried to the new workings which will doubtless be designed with due regard to modern mining science.

The exports of coal exceeded previous records last year, but the amount is still little more than three-quarters of a million tons and is only a small proportion of the quantity raised —imports of coal fell off, for the cost is more than double that of Indian coal. That fact, however, would not prevent warships and liners purchasing the imported article if they could get it and we may mention that had it not been for the belief that English coal was procurable in Bombay we should not have had the recent visit of the American Cruiser Squadron. Sailing directions, as issued by the United States Naval Department, must be considerably at fault, or this error would not have occurred, but commanders and engineers joined in execrating the smoky dirty coal with which they had perforce to fill their bunkers. We cannot deny that the Indian coal at present being worked is of dreadfully poor quality, but deeper workings in years to come may reveal a much better class of fuel. The Indian Railways seem able to make satisfactory use of our coal, for the amount consumed grows year by year. From 2,447,341 tons in 1904, the amount rose last year to 2,668,424 tons—an increase of 31·7 per cent. of the total production against an average of 29·7 per cent. for the previous five years. The average daily attendance at Indian coal miners is just under ninety thousand and the average output per person employed 93·5 tons, as against 88·6 tons in 1904 and 84 in 1903. From coal to diamonds is an easy transition and we find that the mode of occurrence of the diamonds in the Vindhyan conglomerators of Bundelkhand and the native methods of working the deposits were thoroughly investigated by Mr. Vredenburg, who has proposed a more systematic place of working than the haphazard methods now employed. The industry gives employment to less than nineteen hundred persons but the output cannot even pay wages, for the total value of the yield was only £2,474. Gold yielded close on two and a-half millions sterling and might have been more but for bad seasons in Northern India and Kashmir.

The production of iron-ore in the year rose by almost fifty per cent., Bengal being the scene of the greatest activity. A considerable rise in the output of manganese-ore is attributed mainly to the temporary closure of the industry in the Caucasus, troubles in Russia and the consequent rise in the value of the mineral. The amount exported exceeded the amount produced in the year and was 282,334 tons against 154,830. The exports of mica also almost doubled. The quality now being produced is not good, but Kishengarh possesses fair quality mica which is not yet being worked. Petroleum continues to loom large in the returns. The bulk is from Burma where the output last year showed an increase over the preceding twelve months by 22·6 per cent. This would have been greater but that the Burma Oil Company is holding a large portion of the Singu field in reserve. The imports of petroleum, as was to be expected, have again shewn a considerable falling off, entirely confined to Russian oil, for the amounts imported from America, the Straits Settlements, Sumatra and Borneo have all increased. American oil imports increased enormously, the quantity amounting to 18,788,137, as compared with 7,628,275 the preceding year. Tin in Mergui and Tavoy is gradually being developed. The trade in borax has been put in a more satisfactory footing. Buxite is beginning to attract attention in the Central Provinces, but had not been placed on the market up to the time the report was prepared. Rubies in Burma have not proved so profitable as in other years, but we are told by Mr. La Touche, that prospecting operations are still being actively pursued and some of the licences cover very large tracts of country. Mr. La Touche's report points out the hindrances to the development of further mining in India and in respect to the Central Provinces brings to notice the complaint that the carting charges incurred are becoming higher and that Railways are much wanted to open up the country. That is the case with most of the mining districts and it is only where minerals can be conveniently carried away that they can be profitably worked. We believe that the reports of the Geological Department are studied by the Government of India and that to some particular member is ascribed the duty of supervising operations, but it is possible more might be done to develop the mineral wealth of the country if systematised efforts were made.

BRITAIN'S LEAD IN MARCONICS. IN all the realm of the scientific achievements of the last century nothing is more marvellous than the perfecting of the wireless telegraph. Though quite a long list of inventors now dead and gone had claimed the credit of inventing wireless telegraphy, the only serviceable system is that introduced by Mr. Marconi. It is little more than fourteen years ago since Marconi, who was then staying at Leghorn, used to repair to a certain shipbuilding yard in order that he might construct there certain parts of the apparatus needed for his experiments. When the apparatus was completed he took it home; but his father, on discovering it, was seriously perturbed and remarking that he did not want his house blown up, proceeded to smash the instrument into litt le bits. Whether these strong measures resulted in any "blowing up" history does not say, but it is understood to be unsafe to refer nowadays in the presence of Marconi *pere* to the encouragement which he gave to the early efforts of his clever son. And now, less than a decade and a half from its introduction, the Marconigram is a world-wide institution. This is the more remarkable as it has had to fight enormous vested interests, in the shape of cable companies with millions at stake. Not the least of the enemies of the wireless telegraph have been the English postal officials. For a long time the Post-master General of England tried in vain to shut down the competition of the Marconi Company. At the same time, now that Great Britain has vindicated her universal lead in the wireless world at the Berlin Conference, it is interesting to recall that it was the British Telegraph Department, who first extended the helping hand to the confident young inventor, when, full of buoyant hope, he was waiting for some paternal Government to bid him come along and show what he could. Marconi accepted the invitation, went to England, set up his apparatus on Salisbury Plain, and proceeded to consummate the most remarkable scientific feat of the age. On March 28th 1899, the first message was exchanged between France and England. This was followed by successful demonstrations made during the '99 naval manœuvres. The Admiralty definitely adopted the system during 1900, and all the British and Italian battleships and a very large number of cruisers are fitted with it. The Marconi apparatus is working commercially on board most of the largest passenger steamers afloat. Lloyds have exclusively adopted the Marconi system at their stations at Home and abroad till 1915, and in June 1905 the Board of Trade and Trinity House arranged for the equipment of lighthouses with Marconi installations. Incidentally the Berlin Conference serves to remind us that the German scientists were very sore at being outdone by Britain in wireless progress, and they started a system of their own, which has grown into a big undertaking. But it owes its origin to England, however. In 1897 the Kaiser sent over Professor Slaby of Charlottenburg to England, to inspect and report upon what was being done. Professor Slaby was given every facility, and on his return to Germany 450 complete installations, including ships, were set up. The Germans not only supplied their own navy with their system, but also the Russian, American, and nearly all other navies except those of Great Britain and France. And it was Germany which called the Conference at Berlin which is referred to in our news columns. But England, which has always enjoyed the lead in Marconics, seems likely to hold her own in the cult of the "wireless" in perpetuity.

PLAGUE INVESTIGATIONS. THE *Journal of Hygiene* publishes an extra number containing reports on Plague investigations in India. The reports were issued by the Advisory Committee appointed by the Secretary of State for India, the Royal Society, and the Lister Institute, and, as is explained in the publication, the work which the Commission is at present undertaking includes epidemiological observations in the field as well as laboratory experiments and is being carried on both in Bombay city and in two isolated villages in the Punjab. Attention is for the most part directed to a study of the epizootic spread of plague among rats, the precise relationship of the epizootic to the epidemic and the modes by which disease may be communicated from rat to man. The publication of the final conclusions of the Commission on these subjects, it is explained, must be necessarily delayed, since observations are in some instances being carried on continuously throughout a complete period of twelve months, and even after this the analysis of the mass of epidemiological data obtained will occupy a considerable time. A number of contributory investigations have, however, reached a stage when it has been considered advisable that they should be made public and this is done in a series of independent researches in the form of a preliminary report, without waiting for the full discussion of the conclusions to which they seem to point. We shall refer to them at length hereafter.

INDIAN FACTORIES. WE do not know what are the especial qualifications of Sir Hamilton Smith, lately Superintending Inspector of Dangerous Trades, has for inspecting and reporting upon the hours of work and conditions of labour in Indian factories. Work in an Indian factory is not a dangerous trade—very little more risky to life and limb than tilling the soil, and as to the conditions of labour in our factories, it will be necessary for Sir Hamilton to reside a long time in this country to study them, for they differ very widely in the cold weather from the conditions in the hot season or the rains. Moreover neither the operatives nor their circumstances in any way resemble those in England. A Committee of mill-experts with experience of both Indian and English factories would have been able to give the Secretary of State much more valuable advise than Sir Hamilton Smith. We need not antisipate trouble so far ahead, but we must confess to some feeling of annoyance that the highly-coloured word-painting of a perfervid correspondent should have brought prying round among us an unwelcome official of the kind now being despatched. We are well able to manage our own affairs..

M. CLEMENCEAU'S DECLARATION. THE declaration of M. Clemenceau that "while the peace of the world depends on the force of arms we cannot disarm" will, unless there be another early change of Ministry in France, render the coming conference at the Hague wholly unsatisfastory to the Peace-at-any-price Party. England was prepared to demonstrate to other nations her desire to lighten the burden of armaments, not only by reducing her army but also by cutting her naval programme. But the idea may be at once abandoned. No country will take the lead, and the great advocate of arbitration, the Tsar, will be the very last monarch of all to throw away his arms. His circumstances would not permit it. Unsatisfactory as it may be, the world is still dependent on the force of arms and, though alliances and friendships may appear very substantially founded today, they may disappear like clouds to-morrow. The time for disarmament is unfortunately not yet.

COTTON ADULTERATION. WE find public opinion increasingly strong in condemnation of the resolution of the Chamber of Commerce, the Millowners' Association, and Cotton Trade Association, on the subject of the adulteration of Cotton. As regards the suggestion that the Agricultural Department could render the most valuable assistance in bringing about an improvement," etc., we do not see how it could possibly effect any such accomplishment except by attempts (long recognised as futile) to educate the ryot into realising that it is to *his* advantage not to mix his cotton. Besides, it is not the *grower* who mixes, but the dealer and middleman, and they will mix so long as they find they can squeeze a few more rupees out of any one year's crop. The Committee's suggestion is generally condemned as short-sighted, more worthy of a Government Department than of practical business men. If Government are going to try again to check mixing, they must first devise a *practical* law to deal with it.

SIR FREDERICK UPCOTT leaves Madras for Bombay on the 3rd proximo.

THE German Cruiser "Leipzig" left Calcutta for the Far East on the morning of 5th instant.

THE Austrian Lloyd's s. s. "Imperator" left Trieste on the afternoon of the 3rd instant, and may be expected here on the 19th instant. The same Company's s. s. "China" left Trieste for Bombay on the morning of the 30th ultimo and is due here on or about the 22nd instant.

PRINCE FERDINAND of Udine visited the Bombay Gymkhana Polo ground yesterday afternoon and seemed very much interested in the game which was played between the two teams of the Gymkhana.

THE statement of traffic of the Tapti Valley Railway for the week ending 22nd September, amounted to Rs. 12,336, being an increase on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 1,580. The total earnings from 1st of July to the 22nd of September, were Rs. 1,34,227, being an increase on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 12,406.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Prantej Railway for the week ending 22nd September, amounted to Rs. 2,668, being an increase on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 180. The total earnings from 1st of July to the 22nd of September, were Rs. 38,079, being an increase on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 5,817.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Dholka Railway for the week ending 22nd September amounted to Rs. 1,760, being an increase on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 212. The total earnings from 1st of July to the 22nd of September were Rs. 21,804, being an increase on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 4,631.

A CABLEGRAM was recently received in India asserting that the London solicitors of Ranjit Singhi had put in another claim on his behalf to the Jamship of Jamnagar. We have seen a communication from Ranjitsinghi to a friend in Bombay in which he denies that he has "done anything so foolish." The report has, seemingly, caused him considerable annoyance.

THE Approximate Traffic Return of the Barsi Light Railway Company, Limited, for the week ended, 27th October (48·00 miles open) amounted to Rs. 6,118, being an increase of Rs 3,739 more than the corresponding week of last year. The total from 1st January to date was Rs. 1,52,434, showing a decrease of Rs. 35,453 than the corresponding period of last year.

The Punjab Alienation of Land Amendment Bill, which has just been introduced in the Punjab Legislative Council, is described by the Lahore paper as an attempt to remedy a series of defects in the original Bill brought to light by six years' experience. According to the "statement of objects and reasons," the first and most important amendments contemplated is the abolition of the "statutory agriculturist." Experience has shown that, there are grave objections to the continued existence of this artificial entity, The fundamental objection is that the "statutory agriculturist" in many cases is not an agriculturist at all, being in fact a *bania* who holds agricultural land, in the structure of rural society in the Punjab a *bania* is a *bania* even though he may have held land in a village for thirty or forty years, and whereas the express object of the original Alienation Act was to close the door against the acquisition of the lands of agricultural tribesmen by *banias*, the clause in favour of "statutory agriculturists," leaves the door, wide open, to a few favoured ones of the debarred class. Moreover the inclusions of the "statutory agriculturist" has led to great difficulties in the working of the Act.

A PENSION of £100 a year, a gold watch and chain, and the privilege of travelling over the Railway free for the rest of his life have been conferred by the Taff Vale Railway directors upon Mr. Thomas Price, their locomotive inspector, for the Merthyr district, who has been fifty eight years in the company's service. He is now seventy-eight.

PLAYS AND PASTIMES.

NEW MANNERS AND OLD THEATRES.

The South African Footballers.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, OCTOBER 19.

How the last five years have completely changed the external aspects of Theatrical London. New Theatres, as though at the bidding of a magician's wand, have sprung up everywhere, but this in a way has been counterbalanced by the demolition of many old playhouses. I have just heard that still another historic seat of the drama is to be turned into a branch of Messrs. Waring's furniture shops. This is the old Princess's where Charles Kean produced his elaborate and epoch-making Shakesperian revivals, and where, in after-days, the late Wilson Barrett drew all London to witness "The Silver King" and other melodramas. The Princess's was a commodious and comfortable house and the question may well be asked how it has been found impossible during the past five or six years to furnish it with a single success? Truth to relate, several very valiant attempts were made by certain individuals to restore some measure of prosperity to the old theatre but such endeavours were on every occasion rewarded only by utter and complete failure. The cause is not far to seek, and may be found in two sources. In the first place, the Princess's was associated in name with a now antiquated class of play, which no longer commands the affections of a public willing to pay West End prices for their seats; and secondly, the style of acting has so changed of late years that the house was in reality too large for the quiet drawing-room methods of our younger actors and actresses. Many of our modern mimes, apart from Mr. Forbes Robertson, now seemingly a permanent asset to provincial managers, and Mr. Lewis Waller, are absolutely incapable of holding the sustained attention of so large an audience as would be needed to fill the Princess's. They have been accustomed for so long to drawing-room manners, in drawing room theatres, that they have become quite incapable of broader effects. Also it should be remembered that there are not more than a dozen actors in London to-day who know even the first elements of elocution.

MR. WALLER IN LINCOLN GREEN.

This week has seen the production of a new "romance" at the Lyric, where Mr. Lewis Waller, the beloved of all suburban matrons and maids, appears as "Robin Hood." The play itself makes no change from the character from the cut-and-thrust, cloak-and-sword type of drama, with which Mr. Waller has for so long been associated. Still it should be a decided success. Mr. Waller makes as usual a brave romantic figure, sings a song, accomplishes the most remarkable adventures and falls in love with a beautiful lady, of birth and merit, just as he has done before on so many occasions, since the success of his D'Artagnan in "The Three Musketeers" showed him what popularity lay in the portrayal of picturesque vagabonds and sentimental swash bucklers. Mr. William Archer, the critic, has unkindly suggested that "Robin Hood" should, as the Christmas season draws nearer, be followed appropriately by a harlequinade, but I doubt whether this advice will be followed.

THE VARIETY THEATRES.

Perhaps the one outstanding feature in the Music Hall world is the rise into popularity of Miss Victoria Monks. Her songs are sung everywhere and she receives the most enthusiastic ovations nightly at whatever halls she appears. Not remarkably beautiful, but possessed of that indescribable something, which we call personality, Victoria Monks always seems to touch the pulses of her audience. She gains her effects with apparently little or no effort, but invariably succeeds in holding an audience in a grip of attention. She has a strange taste in dress also, and her short gowns are always a picture of gorgeous colours; hard, arresting and memorable, without any attempt at soft graduating tones or shades. It has been a long time since a woman artist has achieved so great a measure of success on the Variety Stage. To-day she stands on the topmost pinacle of popularity, together with Mr. Harry Sander, the Scotch Comedian, whose latest song "We parted on the Shore" should further enhance a brilliant artist's reputation.

SPORT AND THE SOUTH AFRICANS.

No mention of present day sport in England would be complete now without some reference to the continued success of the South African Footballers. These young gentlemen have lately been complaining of the attentions showered upon them by enterprising members of the press. Several of them have openly attributed their initial nervousness at the start of the season to the ubiquitous presence of the short-hand reporter and the camera fiend. Still, greatness has its penalties as well as other things and I do not think our visitors have any real cause to complain. Their splendidly consistent play has interested the sporting public in all their doings, and when the Public demand news on a specific topic it is simply the duty of newspaper representatives to supply it.

The Colonials cleared the stiffest obstacle in their triumphant career this week when they defeated Devon by 22 points to 6. It was throughout a magnificent struggle, played in the keen spirit of true sportsmanship, and E. W. Roberts made football history when he actually crossed the South African line. We are all very anxious to see how our visitors will fare when they meet the sturdy men of Wales but let us hope that the result, no matter which side gains the victory, will be more definitely decided than was the memorable encounter between Wales and New Zealand. Many fine judges of the game to this day affirm that had every one received their just dues on that never-to-be-forgotten day, New Zealand would have been adjudged the victor. On the other hand, it is urged that had the Welsh try been disallowed, the referee would undoubtedly have met an untimely fate at the hands of the spectators. Let us hope that when the South Africans cross the border, the Welsh authorities will requisition a sufficient force of police to maintain the Celtic enthusiasm of the home supporters within safer bounds.

ASSOCIATION.

The Corinthians will shortly make their first bow to the public this year and from that time the serious amateur season may be said to have commenced. Although it does not seem likely that they have found any new players of such outstanding merit as were G. O. Smith and W. R. Moon, to name only two, yet I feel confident that the Corinthians will prove strong enough to account for the majority of professional clubs. It would be a great thing to see them entered for the Association Cup, when England could at last witness a real struggle between the opposing styles of amateur and professional foot-ball. What an event it would make if the Corinthians met—say Aston Villa in the final at the Crystal Palace? Woolwich arsenal continue to head the league table. They are undoubtedly the strongest professional foot-ball team we have ever had in the South of England.

R. C.

THE CITY OF UMBUGOI.

THOSE who read a recent account of the proceedings of the Municipal Corporation of the City of Umbugoi will be interested in the following extract from the business proposed for the Bombay Municipal Corporation on Monday next :—

84. (*a*) Letter to the Corporation, dated the 24th August 1906, from Mr. U. I. Sayani—Forwarding the marginally quoted extract from *Tit Bits* of 1st July 1905, regarding the planting of fruit trees on high ways in the Grand Duchy of Baden and enquiring whether something similar cannot be done in Bombay.

FRUIT TREES ON HIGH WAYS.—One of the ways for beautifying the country in the Grand Duchy of Baden without any ultimate expense to the tax-payer is the planting of fruit trees along the Government high ways. These are cherry, apple, pear, and in some places walnut trees. The trees are planted 32 ft. apart along each side of the road, and when the fruit is ready for market it is sold at public auction on the trees, the purchaser being obliged to harvest it at his own expense.

(*b*) Resolution of the Standing Committee, No. 4803, dated the 31st October 1906 :—

"That the letter, dated the 24th August 1906, from Mr. U. I. Sayani, regarding the planting of fruit trees on high ways and the Commissioner's Report thereon, No. 28359, dated the 24th October 1906, with accompaniments, be forwarded to the Corporation for consideration and orders with reference to their Resolution No. 4271, dated the 1st October 1906, and their Resolution No. 3714, dated the 16th November 1905, appointing a Committee to report on the system of planting road side trees, &c."

THE VOICE FROM THE MOUNT.

THE Wilderness! Thus it was called; thus it is An arid triangle of sand and rocks with its base on the Mediterranean and its apex on the Red Sea a waterless rugged waste now only visited by lovers of the past and Bedouin Nomads; it seems a poor bone to wrangle over. Sinai has an old-world sound, yet it has a new-world meaning. It has always been one of the gates of Egypt. In those far-off days, when the nations of the Nile rose up against the nations of the Euphrates, and *vice versa*, it was the fulcrum of national power. The historian who takes notes of the movements about that point knows in any era the net effect of the political forces in the Near East. It has always been one of the great strategic points desired by every General who has aspired to empire in that part of the globe. The famous road from Syria through the valley of Dothan, *viâ* the Maritime Plain, to Gaza has at all times carried the great armies to the field of their operations. When the Shepherd King campaigned against Ramases III, when the Assyrians and Babylonians warred with the Pharoahs, when the Ptolemies and Mamelukes, Selucids and Mongols, Turks and Egyptians, manœuvred for the East, when Esarhaddon, Assurbanipal, Nebuchadnezzar, Cambyses, Ibrahim, and Napoleon, made their war-maps, this same Sinai was the centre of attention, the strategic point of consideration.

Egypt is wedged in between deserts, and the power that holds them holds the Nile-streams and Frontiers, and therewith the wealth of the near east. The keys of Egypt have always lain buried in the sand. And from time to time the world smiles at the sight of some methodless wanderer, who seems searching for nothing, between the scorching sky and the sand of Sinai or Soudan. Thus, when poor Marchand met Kitchener at Fashoda, most people thought him and his handful of brave fellows mad as the proverbial hatter. Few realised that Fashoda was a full-stop in the most romantic paragraph of modern European politics. Few understood that, with Egypt, French at heart, with two hundred millions of pounds sterling of French money invested in Public Works, with a small Anglo-Egyptian army almost untested, its powers unrecorded, since the days of Hicks, Gordon, and Wolsley, face to face with the possibility of defeat before the passion of Mahdism, confronted by a strong conjunction of an unbeaten Abyssinian host (that had accounted for two whole armies) and a strong French soldiery—few understood that the Soudan, nobody's land, might easily have become French, and Egypt lain at the mercy of France. The story of modern history might easily have read differently had Kitchener been beaten at Omdurman and called upon to face another and different army about the sources of the Nile. And the Anglo-French settlement, by which France took Morocco, and England Egypt with the Soudan, and after which the *entente cordiale* was possible, stands as a brilliant monument to the opening decade of the XXth century diplomacy.

And once again, in the last days, diplomacy has done its work. What France did at Fashoda openly and at great risk, Germany has been doing *in camera* under the guise of Turkish enterprise. Only this time Sinai, and not the Soudan, was the sphere of operations.

Silently and slowly the Hedjaz Railway has, by a new route unknown in the annals of military history, drawn within striking distance of the frontier. The boundary out-posts, like the tents of the Arabs at sunrise, have silently vanished away. Then strange demands, made with impudent boldness, have come from Berlin *via* Constantinople. If we seek for the reason, once more, as of old, Sinai is eloquent in revelation. There is a voice from the Mount.

When the Sultan finds the intrigue laid bare to the eyes of the world, he seeks the fair familiar face of his friendly co-operator, but alas! like the above-mentioned out-posts, he is nowhere to be found. So the boundary is re-marked and the domestic politician comments upon mole-hills and mountains, forgetting that in the Near East the Turkish shadow is thrown by the German Sun.

The incident, which has been pronounced "satisfactorily" settled and closed by a representative commission, has its meaning for every one who cares to observe the circumstances under which it arose.

And if it is only a paragraph in the parable of a prudent King who makes war with wet-powder and dry speeches, nevertheless it may be interpreted in the light of a certain dictum current among German diplomatists, which we will call the voice from the mount :—"the peace of the world can only be secured at the cost of England."

R. W.

NOTES FROM INDORE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

INDORE, NOVEMBER 5.

THE final of the Polo Tournament on Saturday brought to an end the first period of the three weeks of festivity in which the station was engaged. The Polo Tournament was an undoubted success and not a single complaint has been heard about the condition of the ground though the ponies that had to play right through the tournament to the end of the final game are of course showing signs of the work they have done. To Mr. Hoare, the Settlement Officer of the Indore State, must all the credit for the success of the Tournament be given. It was he who prepared the ground, arranged for the entertainment of guests and attended to the thousand and one details of his duties as Honorary Secretary so that everything passed off smoothly. The final game was perhaps the most exciting as the Central India Horse gained three goals in the first chukker. Then Bhopal gained two goals and two subsidiaries and were several times near scoring and obtaining a lead. A foul against Bhopal gave the Central India Horse their fourth goal (very finely hit by Eckford) and then Bhopal gained another goal and a subsidiary.

The names of the winning team were :—Captain Eckford 1, Bahadur Khan 2, Captain Hewlett 3, Mr. Pitcher (back).

Mrs. Daly presented the silver challenge cup to the winners and each member of the winning team received a small silver cup as a memento of the victory. During the week there was a good deal of gaiety in the station. On Thursday all Indore and Mhow were at the Residency when the Hon'ble Major Daly and Mrs. Daly gave a most successful dance and on Saturday there were theatricals at the Residency followed by a short but very pretty dance. Most of the guests that came to see and play polo are now stopping on to see the matches between Indore and the Welsh Fusiliers from Agra. Matches of every conceivable kind have been arranged and the week will be a most strenuous one. Following all this comes another Polo Tournament. This should have been played at Neemuch but the presence of plague there and the discovery of an excellent ground in Indore brought about the decision that play should take place here.

GONDAL NOTES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

GONDAL, NOVEMBER 4.

RAJKOT is now free from Plague and the people who took refuge here have left leaving good dose of infection. Rats are dying everywhere and cases of plague and deaths have commenced to take place. The people have left the infected localities and are living in temporary sheds outside the town or in neighbouring villages. This will, it is hoped, check the heavy mortality of the 1902 epidemic.

To-day Mr. Pestonji Burjorji Beheramji B. A., B. Sc; L. C. E.; Assistant Engineer, leaves Gondal for Bikaner where he has secured higher pay and better prospects. Mr. Pestonji is the youngest son of Dr. Burjorji Beheramji of the Bhavnagar State. He secured the good opinion of His Highness the Thakor Saheb by his honest work and superior abilities. His quiet and unassuming nature his high intellectual powers and affability have secured for him a large circle of friends among the people and officers of this State. H. H. the Maharaja of Bikaner deserves credit for the selection he has made, though the Gondal State is the poorer for the loss of Mr. Pestonji's services. He is a young officer of great promise and is bound to prosper.

THE American office-boy who has long been the terror of his employers, is to be taken in hand by the New York Young Men's Christian Association. A training-school is to be opened for office-boys only, who will be taught not merely business arithmetic the spelling of business English, commercial geography, and so forth, but various systems of letter filing, card indexing, the use of the telephone, mechanical manifolding, and various duplicating contrivances, be forwarded to the Corporation for consideration and orders with reference to their Resolution No. 4271, dated the 1st October 1906, and their Resolution No. 3714, dated the 16th November 1905, appointing a Committee to report on the system of planting road side trees, &c." machines, and general office work. These lads, the "Telegraph" says, will also be taught that personal appearance, clean faces, clean boots, clean hands, neatness of carriage and address, and politeness, are business assets.

FRANCE AND DISARMAMENT.

OVERWHELMING VOTE OF THE CHAMBER.

Security Paramount.

RELIANCE ON OLD FRIENDS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, NOVEMBER 5.

The French Chamber has approved by 395 to 16, M. Clemenceau's declaration which stated that "while the peace of the world depends upon the force of arms, we cannot disarm." Government will be careful to maintain and develop the alliance contracted in the interests of peace and also well-tried friendships.

Yesterday's forecast of the declaration is confirmed.

THE PORTSMOUTH RIOTS.

Further Disturbances.

OFFICERS' QUARTERS ATTACKED.

RIOTERS OVERPOWERED BY MARINES.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 6.

Further disturbances took place at the Portsmouth Naval barracks at midnight and were continued until two in the morning.

Hundreds of stokers attacked the officers' quarters, smashing the windows and doing other damage. The officers were assaulted and policemen badly injured. Bodies of armed sailors and Marines were called out and overpowered the rioters, many of whom were arrested,

LATER.

The renewal of the disturbance at Portsmouth arose seemingly from the closing of the gates of the barracks at 10 o'clock to exclude late comers and stragglers, of which a noisy crowd collected outside the gates. Their shouts excited those inside and both parties joined in a frenzied smashing of everything.

Apparently no officer was actually attacked. Armed detachments were landed from the "Goliath", "Prince of Wales", and "Excellent" and were assisted by Marines in surrounding the rioters and arresting a large number.

MOROCCAN ATROCITIES.

French Boat Stoned.

TWO OFFICERS AND FORTY MEN KILLED.

SPANISH ELECTRIC POWER HOUSE SEIZED.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 6.

There is increasing unrest in Morocco. A French cruiser's boat has been stoned on approaching the Tangier pier and the crew were hooted and several injured.

Raisuli's men have seized the power station of the Spanish Electric Lighting Company at Arzila.

Spain has strongly remonstrated, but hitherto vainly.

Two French Officers and forty native riflemen have been killed in an attack by Moors.

THE WAVE OF SOCIALISM.

Mr. Keir-Hardie on the Municipal Elections.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 5.

Mr. Keir-Hardie, speaking at Edinburgh, denied that Socialisin or Labour had received a set back from the Municipal elections. The Progressives' defeat in London meant the triumph of the great Electric and other Trusts, which spent fifty thousand in fighting the elections.

AFFAIRS IN RUSSIA.

The Budget Deficit.

ARRESTS IN ST. PETERSBURG.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 5.

Fifteen more arrests have been made in connection with the mail-van robbery at St. Petersburg on the 27th ultimo. The prisoners will be court-martialled.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 5.

The final report on the Russian Budget for 1905 shows a total deficit of 158,000,000 roubles, which is twenty-two millions less than was estimated and has been met by the proceeds of the 1906 Loan.

GAMBLING IN THE MALAY STATES.

No Immediate Abolition.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 5.

Mr. Winston Churchill, in reply to a question in the House of Commons, said Lord Elgin was satisfied that the immediate abolition of licensed gambling in the Malay States was impracticable, but steps were being taken to restrict it as far as possible and prepare the way for its eventual abolition.

OBITUARY.

LONDON. NOVEMBER 6.

The deaths are announced of Hon. Auberon Herbert and Colonel Dalrymple Hamilton.

[Hon Auberon Herbert, D. C. L., a well known journalist whose death is announced, was born on June 18, 1838. He was the third son of the 3rd Earl of Carnarvon, and married a daughter of the 6th Earl Cowper; was educated at Eton and Oxford. He was a Lieutenant in the 7th Hussars; entered Parliament as member for Nottingham, 1870-73. He published "Politician in trouble about his Soul." "Bad Air and Bad Health;" "Windfall and Waterdrift;" and edited 'Sacrifice of Education to Examination."

Colonel Hon. North de Coigny Dalrymple-Hamilton, the second son of the 10th Earl of Stair, was born in 1853. He joined the Scots Guards in 1871; became Major in 1892, served in Egypt as adjutant in the 1st Battalion in 1882, took part in the battled of Tel-el-Kabir (medal with clasp 5th class Medjidie, Khedive's Star); served in the Soudan 1885, as Brigade Major, Guards Brigade, including Hasheen and was severely wounded in convoy action near Tofrek (medal with clasp); served in South Africa, 1899-1900; was severely wounded at Belmont (medal). He was made Lieut.-Colonel 3rd Battalion Scots Guards, 1900-4.]

THE RUSH FOR THE POLE.

ONLY TWO HUNDRED MILES SHORT.

Peary to Make Another Attempt.

A VICTIM OF MILD WEATHER.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, NOVEMBER 5.

Captain Peary returns for repairs and additional supplies and then makes another attempt to reach the Pole. His recent dash was frustrated by the mild season, but despite delays, owing to much broken ice in open water, he got to within 203 miles of the Polo.

THE LORDS AND THE EDUCATION BILL.

Nonconformist Indignation.

MASS MEETING OF DELEGATES.

BIG CAMPAIGN STARTS.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 6.

In the House of Lords the amendments to the Education Bill continue to be made and the character of the Bill is almost completely transformed.

At a conference held of Nonconformist Councils in London a Resolution was passed to organise demonstrations against the Lords. One of the speakers suggested that Government should appoint five hundred Liberal Peers to carry through the original Bill.

["EMPIRE" SPECIAL.]

CALCUTTA, NOVEMBER 6.

The greatest indignation has been aroused amongst the Nonconformists all over Great Britain by the amendment to the Education Bill, passed by the House of Lords.

Eleven hundred delegates met in London on Monday and condemned what they termed the "wrecking policy" of the Lords.

It was decided to open a campaign of protest, and meetings are being organised throughout the country.

ABANDONED ST. HELENA.

Lord Elgin's Attitude.

GRANT REFUSED.

["EMPIRE" SPECIAL.]

CALCUTTA, NOVEMBER 6.

Lord Elgin, writing to the Secretary of the St. Helena Committee, has stated that for the present he is unprepared to recommend any monetary grant. He considers it only right to wait until experience has shown the effect which the Garrison's withdrawal will have on the island's revenue

THE CAMPBELL HOSPITAL STRIKE.

Bengali Students Coming to Their Senses.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

CALCUTTA, NOVEMBER 6.

The students of the Campbell Medical School have refused to surrender, only 18 answering the roll call out of 176 yesterday morning. The number afterwards increased by letters from sick students who were willing to join without question.

The students have submitted a second petition in which they say—

1. That as we were actuated in what we have done solely with the object of prominently bringing to your notice what we considered, and still consider to be the real grievances which require and call for redress, we pray that when we return to School and to our Hospital duties, you will be kind enough to treat our conduct, should you consider it blameworthy, as an error of judgment and not in any way disrespectful to the School or Hospital authorities and, therefore, deserving of forgiveness.

2. That we further pray that you will be kind enough not to treat our absence from School and Hospital on account of what has been described as a strike, so as to render our attendance irregular; in-as-much as such irregularity will mean the loss of a year to us all.

3. That the first sessional examination was held during our said absence, and that in-as-much as the result of the said examination will be taken into account at the time of declaring the result of the final examination, we humbly pray that on our return to School and to Hospital duties, a first sessional examination may be held on our behalf.

4. That we further pray that on our return to School you may be kind enough to direct a full and sifting enquiry into our grievances which we may here take the liberty of humbly and respectfully assuring you are much too serious and real not to evoke your sympathy when placed before you without any restraint and restriction.

Major Vaughan has told the students to return to their studies unconditionally.

FIGHT OVER A CIGARETTE.

Bengalis in the Police Court.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

CALCUTTA, NOVEMBER 6.

Two Bengalis were travelling by the Eastern Bengal State Railway the other day, when a quarrel arose as to one of them smoking a Europe-made cigarette and the parties came to blows but were separated and placed in different compartments. At the Sadipore Station Rajendranath Banerjee charged his assailant Surendranath Ghose with the theft of a silver watch which, however, was not found with the accused but was picked up the following morning near the Railway Station. The case is now being tried at the Sealdah Police Court.

FALSE PERSONATION AND CHEATING.

The National Bank of India Suffers.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, NOVEMBER 6.

Yesterday at the Town Police Court here before Mr. W. E. Clarke, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Superintendent Hiscox of the City Police prosecuted Theagaroya Naicken, a painter by profession, on charges of having cheated the National Bank of India on the 6th of June last by falsely representing that he went by the name of Arokiam and was a peon in the Customs Department, and having fraudulently induced the firm to deliver Rs. 900 to him.

The accused admitted the charges and His Worship found him guilty and sentenced him to nine months' rigorous imprisonment.

To-day Murugeson, a peon in the employ of the National Bank of India was charged with having abetted Theagaroya Naicken in the above offence. The accused pleaded not guilty, but was convicted and sentenced to two years' rigorous imprisonment.

INDIAN FACTORIES.

THOROUGH INSPECTION PROMISED.

Hours and Conditions.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, NOVEMBER 5.

Sir Hamilton Smith, lately Superintending Inspector for Dangerous Trades, has been nominated by Mr. Morley to proceed to India and report upon the hours of work and the conditions of labour in Indian factories.

BRITISH CENTRAL AFRICA.

Modern Methods.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 5.

Mr. Winston Churchill in the House of Commons said that advantage was taken of the presence of the Commissioner of Central Africa in England, to discuss the establishment of a Legislative Council and numerous details, the consideration of which will occupy some time.

ADDRESS TO A RETIRING JUDGE.

Sanction of the Viceroy.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, NOVEMBER 6.

The Viceroy has sanctioned the receipt by Sir Chunder Madhub Ghose of the Address which the Vakeels propose to present him on his retirement from the Bench of the High Court here.

MR. EARLE'S ILL-HEALTH.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, NOVEMBER 6.

The Simla correspondent's report yesterday is confirmed from Calcutta.

It is understood that ill-health will compel Mr. Earle, the Director of Public Instruction in Bengal, to take leave on Medical Certificate, and that Mr. Kuchler will be appointed Director in his place.

EUROPEAN STABBED AND INJURED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, NOVEMBER 6.

Over a quarrel a European Driver, named Rumguard, was stabbed by a West Indian, named Bramble. Both men are in Hospital. They fought furiously previously to stabbing, and rolled down, clinching each other, a long flight of steps.

RETURN OF THE ADVOCATE GENERAL.

Mr. S. Sinha Reverts as Standing Counsel.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, November 6.

Mr. Peter O'Kinealy, the Advocate General of Bengal, who has been away in England on leave, has returned and takes over charge of his office from Mr. S. P. Sinha, who was acting for him; while Mr. Sinha, in turn, has assumed charge of the Standing Counselship from Mr. W. Graham.

BRITISH INDIA STEAMERS IN COLLISION.

Not Much Damage Done.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, NOVEMBER 6.

British India Company's steamer "Muttra" has been damaged in a collision with another vessel of the same line, the steamer "Lindula," which occurred in Calcutta; the latter had landed her passengers at Chandpal Ghat and was swinging out to her moorings when she fouled the "Muttra" which was lying near the bank. Her anchor was hanging out at the side in readiness for use as is usual when ships are mooring in port, and this caught and carried away part of the other boat's after-works. Fortunately no serious damage was done.

MADRAS GOVERNOR'S TOUR.

Reception Expenses to be Curtailed.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, NOVEMBER 6.

The Governor of Madras has communicated through his Private Secretary to the Reception Committee in Madura and Trichinopoly, that in view of the fact that of the last two years in those districts have been bad years and on account of the acute distress, caused by the recent failure of Arbuthnot's Banks, among all sections of the community, His Excellency feels sure that he will not be misunderstood when His Excellency expresses his desire that the scheme of decorations in connection with his forthcoming visit may be either abandoned or confirmed to the very narrowest limits.

The letter adds that His Excellency is only prompted by a desire that his visit should not impose any demand on the public purse or that of individuals at time when the demands for relief of suffering are so numerous and unfortunately so well-founded.

DEATH OF MR. MORISON.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, NOVEMBER 6.

The sudden death occurred at Calcutta, this morning, of Mr. John Morison, Under Secretary to the Government of India in the Legislative Department. Mr. Morison was for many years at the Bar in Calcutta and was well known in Simla and Calcutta Society. Much sympathy in felt for his brother Mr. Henry Morison, also of the Calcutta Bar.

CASTING OF HORSES.

Stringent Rule by Lord Kitchener.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, NOVEMBER 6.

It has been brought to notice that horses are frequently brought forward for casting on account of debility without any evidence being produced to show that veterinary efforts have been made to restore them to health. The Commander-in-Chief, therefore, desires that no horse should ever be cast on this account unless a Veterinary Officer, under whose care the horse has been certified that nothing further can be done to make the animal serviceable.

SIR LOUIS DANE'S TOUR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, NOVEMBER 6.

Sir Louis Dane, Foreign Secretary, will leave the Viceroy's Camp on the 9th instant, whence he will proceed to Agra where he arrives on the 13th. He will remain at Agra for three or four days, inspecting the general arrangements of the Agra Camp, and will thereafter rejoin the Viceroy at Bhatinda, on the 18th instant.

LATER.

Sir Louis Dane's touring dates have been changed. He now leaves the Viceroy's Camp on the 11th, and not on the 9th as previously stated, and arrives at Agra on the 14th.

THE BANK FAILURES.

MESSRS. BINNY AND CO'S POSITION.

Meeting of the Creditors.

PARTNERS' STATEMENTS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, NOVEMBER 6.

In response to the invitation of Messrs. Binny and Co., a large number of creditors of the firm met yesterday evening in their office premises, to hear from the partners of the firm a statement of the affairs of the Company. Mr. J. A. Boyson, the Senior Partner, made a statement, in the course of which he said: "This meeting is necessarily of a preliminary nature. We thought it desirable to convene it in order to lay before you a brief statement of the facts of the case, our actions, and our financial position, and to ascertain your views and intentions, also, of course, to answer any question which you may deem fit to put." Mr. Boyson then deplored the inconvenience, anxiety and loss to which the creditors have been subjected and explained the efforts which the firm has made for assistance, when on the suspension of Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co., they realised at once that a very serious financial crisis was impending. "The Managers of Banks and several mercantile brethern who associated themselves with the Banks were very sympathetic and did what they could to promote our interest, and formulated a proposal and submitted it to their Head Offices with their support. On Wednesday morning, we were definitely informed that the Head Offices had declined to come to our assistance. Then we felt it was our duty towards you to go into voluntary liquidation and forthwith proceeded to do so. We executed a deed, vesting our property in the names of trustees for the benefit of our creditors. On the following morning we closed our doors. That is the brief history of this very miserable business. During the past few days we have been negotiating with our friends at Home. Some of our influential friends have been starting a scheme for promoting a Limited Liability Company. This scheme is now in a fairly advanced stage. The proposal is that this Company should be called "Binny and Co., Limited," if you have no objection to their assuming that title. The object of that Company is practically to take over a good number of the assets of the firm, consisting of shares in the industrial undertakings and allow the partners of the firm to work a limited company here with fixed remuneration, a moiety of their share of profits and remuneration being paid over to the, benefit our creditors.

"In regard to our financial position it has not been possible to frame a complete Balance Sheet, because we await the accounts from our London branches. I have had a statement prepared of our position, on the 31st ultimo, which shows our gross liabilities are Rs. 40,50,000, of which Rs. 8,75,000 are fully secured, and Rs. 31,75,000 are unsecured. Our assets, after allowing heavy depreciation, are Rs. 41,70,000 with an additional Rs. 3,55,000, representing the partners' properties—mainly coffee estates—making a total of Rs. 45,25,000. Of course, these valuations are made on what we considered a fair basis. At any rate, there is a margin of Rs. 4,75,000 to go against any over-sanguine valuation. Any attempt, however, to realise by forced sales, will simply be disastrous to all concerned, and time to nurse the assets is essential."

Mr. W. C. Scott, another partner of the firm, read out the details of the Balance Sheet and of the valuations of each of the assets of the firm, only the totals of which were mentioned by Mr. Boyson.

The Reverend Dr. Miller, on behalf of the creditors, then said:—"I suppose it will not be reasonable to expect this large meeting to digest the information laid before it to-night. We must, I think, see it in the papers with the help of reporters, and must study it. I think it would be well if we can name an early day to come and give our final answer to the proposal which has now been laid before us. The earlier the day the better it will be. I have three things to say and I will say them in order of importance. We have got every reason to have confidence in the honour of the firm and in the members of it. (Cheers.) For their sakes, if we can see our way at all, I think, we should close with some such proposal as has been laid before us to-night. The second is perhaps more important from another point of view, namely, our own interests. I am perfectly certain that some such scheme as has been laid before us to night is the best way, in fact the only way—of our coming out with as little loss as possible, and perhaps, in the end, with no loss at all. That is the second consideration. But even more important than that is the effect which our coming to some such decision as the one that has been proposed will have upon the public mind in the way of calming down the unreasoning panic which has been the sole cause of the misfortune that has befallen the firm and ourselves. I think that, as soon as possible we come to a determination to accept the proposal put forward, the effect of it upon the public mind in Madras and throughout the Presidency will be of the most salutary kind. For that reason I would urge every one present if he could see his way to do so to adopt the proposal now made."

It was eventually decided to hold another meeting on Thursday next, when the creditors, it is expected, will have to come to a decision on the proposal put forward at this meeting.

MESSRS. ARBUTHNOT'S FAILURE.

Syndicate to Buy up Depositors' Claims.

"MADRAS MAIL'S" WARNING.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, NOVEMBER 6.

An effort is being made in certain quarters of Madras to induce those who had deposited money with Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co., to part with their claims against the estates of that firm in return for immediate payment. I hear also that steps are likely to be taken shortly, by certain business men in Madras, to form a syndicate with the object of buying up, on very advantageous terms to themselves, the claims of those depositors who cannot afford to wait for their dividends. The *Madras Mail* warns the latter, unless severely pressed, to decline any such proposals, however speciously put before them, and adds that they may be sure that the syndicate, unless it professes motives of philanthropy, will offer far less than the estimated value of their claims. Their best policy, therefore, is to wait, and, if in very urgent need or distress, to apply to the Relief Committee to be appointed this evening for temporary assistance.

The Official Assignee is calling a meeting of the creditors of Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co., on Saturday the 17th instant.

ARAB IRREGULARS' WAGES.

Demand for Payment of Arrears.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

HYDERABAD, DECCAN, NOVEMBER 6.

Many hands of the Irregular Force were brought under reduction sometime ago. This created much commotion then, but nothing definite seems to have been done by the Government yet. About 500 Arabs belonging to this class went in a body to the Office and surrounded Captain Vazirjung Nazim, yesterday and demanded three months' arrears and refused allowing him to leave the Office until payment was made. Captain Vazirjung was accordingly detained till late in the evening. Meantime the Minister was telephoned who immediately instituted inquiries. The ring-leaders were found to be the dependents of Sultan Nawazjung. He was accordingly desired to withdraw them. His grandson Safnawaz-jung went and pacified the Arabs, himself standing security for their money, and took Captain Vazirjung, to the Minister at Surunagar at 8. p. m. whence he went home. The Arabs were promised payment to-day and all of them are now assembled at the Office, but the distribution has not begun yet.

Yesterday's affair would have ended seriously but for the Minister's tact and management. It is desirable that the matter should be settled without delay as otherwise a disturbance may arise at any moment.

THE AMIR'S VISIT.

Railway Construction Contemplated.

SHRINE TO BE VISITED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, NOVEMBER 6.

The Patiala State Council has ordered the immediate construction of a railway line of about 5 miles in length, from Sirhind Station to the shrine of Shaikh Ahmad Mujadad Alif Sani, to which place the Amir will pay a visit.

Shaikh Ahmad was a great spiritual leader of his time and came from Afghanistan about 1100 Hijri and settled at Sirhind. He is the author of nearly 300 books. To this day an annual fair is held at his shrine, besides which the Punjabi Mahomadans come from Afghanistan to attend the annual fair at the tomb. Mir Jan, the late Kabul Envoy, is also there.

LAHORE, NOVEMBER 6.

The Bahawalpur State has arranged a Shikar Camp for the Amir, nine miles from the Khanpur Station.

THE ATTEMPTED MURDER OF MR. NAPIER.

Trial of Irshad Ali.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, NOVEMBER 6.

The *Pioneer's* Raipur Correspondent says that the trial of Irshad Ali, charged with attempted murder of Mr. Napier, the Deputy Commissioner of Police at Raipur, was continued on the 2nd, 3rd and 5th, when the case for the prosecution was practically closed. The Assistant Commissioner deposed to having gone to the Station House soon after the occurrence. When the accused was brought up, he noticed some blood-stains on his shirt-sleeve, which accused at first attributed to *pan* and afterwards to an ulcer. Witness, however, found them to be dry. Mr. Merrick, the District Superintendent of Police, deposed to having gone to the Station House immediately after the occurrence and collected all the bad characters, Irshad Ali included. Witness questioned the accused about the blood-stains on his shirt sleeve, and then arrested him on suspicion. Next morning he measured, at the suggestion of one Yadrao, the foot-prints made by the man who attacked Mr. Napier, and they appeared to him to correspond with those of the accused. Mr. Hemingway, the Settlement Officer, was next examined. He said that he did not witness the assault as he was then in another room. Next morning his attention was drawn to the footprints by Yadrao. Other witnesses gave more or less circumstantial evidence.

The Court will await the Chemical Analyser's report before passing orders. Irshad Ali is the proprietor of some hackney tongas. He was the leader of local Lathials and was commonly called *pahalwan*, and the people used to live in dread of him.

REMISSION OF TAXATION.

Boon to Punjab Peasant Proprietors.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, NOVEMBER 6.

That the recent remission of the Famine Cess and the Patwar Cess in the Punjab has been a real boon to the public, is shown by the Hon'ble Mr. Dane's statement on the subject which is as follows:—"The lightening of the load of taxation is most beneficial when the burden is taken off the shoulders of a large number of persons in humble circumstances. Judged by that test the reduction of the local rate and the removal of the Patwar Cess have been a great boon to a province like the Punjab, where the bulk of the landowners consists of peasant proprietors. These men and the Crown tenants in the new Canal Colonies, to whom the relief is also immediate and direct, number, I believe, three million souls; and to these must be added a considerable body of occupancy tenants. It seems not extravagant to suppose that the people and their families include two-third of the 20 million persons, of whom the population of the Punjab consists. The relief given has been not only widespread but also far from insignificant in amount."

In the case of the local rate, it probably amounts to between 6 and 7 lakhs; and in the case of the Patwar cess to quite 15 lakhs of rupees."

BOLL-WORM AND COTTON CROPS.

Reduction in the Area Affected.

DISTRICT REPORTS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, NOVEMBER 6.

The latest information regarding the injury done to cotton crop in the Punjab this year by the boll-worm shows that the area affected is less than that of last year, and that the damage is also less considerable.

Harm, however, has been done in the districts of Mountgomery, Jhang, Lyallpur, Gujranwala, Multan and parts of Shahpur and Dera Ghazi Khan. Should the winter frost be unduly early, there will be a further reduction of the estimated yields.

The following are the District reports of damage done this year in the Punjab to cotton crop by the boll worm:—

Montgomery.—The first crop of bolls was destroyed by the boll-worm, but those which have formed since the September rain are practically free and a 4-anna yield is expected.

Lahore.—No boll-worm has appeared as yet Pickings are proceeding satisfactorily.

Jhang report not received but conditions are probably as in Lahore.

Ferozpore report has not yet been received.

Lyallpur, as in Lahore. A 4-anna crop is expected.

In all the foregoing districts, the crop was entirely destroyed by the boll-worm last year.

Gujranwala.—The first bolls were attacked before the rainfall of September, but there is very little boll-worm now. A 5-anna yield is expected.

Shahpur.—First flowers were attacked, all being lost on the Southern branch and half on the Northern. The second crop of flowers, after the September rain, has fared much better. An 8-anna crop is expected on Southern branch and a 10-anna crop on the Northern branch.

Mooltan, as in Lahore. A 6-anna crop is expected.

In the three foregoing districts only a nominal yield was obtained last year.

Muzaffargarh.—60 per cent. of normal.

Mianwali report not received.

Gujrat.—No boll-worm reported. Yield is good thus far.

Hissar.—Yield is good as regards quality and quantity.

In the four foregoing districts the yield last year was only 25 per cent. of normal.

Dera Ghazi Khan.—Boll-worm is still prevalent. A 5-anna yield is expected. Last year's yield in Dera Ghazi Khan was 60 per cent. of normal.

Delhi return states that further enquiry shows that the previous report of the existence of boll-worm was wrong.

There was slight local damage in Sialkot in August and September, but the crop is now fine in the rest of province, is healthy and the yield is average.

An inmate of the St. Pancras infirmary, Mrs. Sarah Lamb, widow of a local tradesman, has attained her 104th year. She states that she would not mind living her long life over again.

NEWS LATER THAN THE MAIL.

BRITAIN'S NAVY.

"THE TIMES" ON GOVERNMENT POLICY.

London, October 20th.—The *Times*, referring to the speech delivered by Lord Tweedmouth, says that the Government policy of reduction and reorganisation is not due to the Admiralty's spontaneous initiative, but is imposed by the Government's supreme authority.

The relegation of powerful fighting units to the reserve is, it declares, the sure pathway to increasing inefficiency, and is possibly only a cunningly-designed transit to the scrap heap.

If, it adds, the Government's policy is based on financial and not on strategic requirements, it rests on very slippery principles which are very apt to lead imperceptibly to national peril.

"VARIAG" STRIKES A TORPEDO.

LOSS OF 200 LIVES.

London, Oct. 21.—Reuter cables that the steamer "Variag" struck a torpedo at Vladivostock and sank immediately. 200 passengers perished; one was saved.

THE NEW HEBRIDES.

ANGLO-FRENCH CONVENTION SIGNED.

London, October 21st.—Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and M. Cambon, the French Ambassador in London, have signed an Anglo-French Convention dealing with the New Hebrides.

The agreement, it is stated, is composed of 68 clauses.

TO FIGHT THE TRADE UNIONS.

BIG MOVE BY EMPLOYERS.

A STRIKE INSURANCE FUND.

LONDON, October 20th.—Sir John Bingham, is advocating the formation of a huge employers' strike insurance fund, with which to fight the Trades unions. He guarantees £10,000 himself towards such a fund.

Sir John Bingham is the head of the well-known cutlery and electroplate firm of Messrs. Walker and Hall, which employs hundreds of workmen. He is very wealthy, and is a shrewd politician. A great supporter of Mr. Chamberlain's preference scheme, he is a very keen fighter and never knows when he is beaten. If he carries with him, the big employers of labour in Sheffield, who are the wealthiest in the country, as he is likely to do, the success of the proposed fund will be assured. The Sheffield employers include the largest steel manufacturers in the world, such as Vickers Sons and Maxim, Cammell Laird & Co., and John Brown & Co. and they employ thousands of men. Sir John being their close neighbour is in close touch with these firms and would very probably have sounded them before he published his plan which, of course, is only new in so far as it proposes to establish a big general insurance fund against strikes. Great employers' combinations have existed before, but they have been confined to certain trades.

ELECTION BRIBERY.

WORCESTER REVELATIONS:

MANY REPORTED.

London, October 20.—Towards the end of May last the election of Mr. Williamson (Conservative) to the House of Commons for Worcester was declared void on the ground of bribery, though no reflection was passed upon that gentleman himself. A Commission was subsequently appointed to inquire into the irregularities, and it revealed the existence of widespread bribery amongst the working classes in the shape of half-crowns and shillings for drinks. The commissioners have now intimated that they must report Mr. Williamson for an illegal act in paying a sum of money to a certain person other than his election agent, but the reporting will be obviated if he obtains relief from the judges on the ground that he acted in ignorance of the law. Ninety-three other persons have been reported and certificates refused in 29 cases. Alderman Caldicott, a Conservative, was reported for bribery and illegal practices and a certificate was refused, on the ground that he had answered untruthfully.

RACING AT HOME.

RESULT OF THE CRITERION STAKES.

LONDON, Tuesday, 23rd October.

The Criterion Stakes of 30 sovs. or. 20ft with 200 sovs added, for two-year-olds; colts 8st 8lbs and geldings 8st 6lbs. Bretby course (6 furlongs.)

Mr. W. Hall Walker's ch c Polar Star, by Prisoner—

Go On.....B. Lynham 1

Major-Eustace Loder's ch c Galvani, by Laveno—Gallimaria..... 2

Duke of Westminster's b c Dusty Miller, by St. Frusquin—Ryde..... 3

(Winner trained by W. T. Robinson.)

Betting:—11 to 8 on Polar Star, 6 to 4 against Galvani, 20 to 1 against Dusty Miller.

Won by two lengths; same between second and third.

DETAILS OF THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

London, Wednesday, 24th October.

The Cambridgeshire Stakes (a handicap) of 25 sovs each, 10ft. with 500 added, and 100 sovs for the second; third to save stake. New Cambridgeshire Course (last mile and a furlong of A. F.) Closed August 7th.

Mr S Joel's ch c Polymelus, by Cyllene—Maid Marion, 4yrs, 8st 10lb.....D Maher 1

Mr F S Barnard's b g Kaffir Chief, by Baeburn—Ingonda, 4yrs, 8st 10lb.....Howard 2

Mr G Faber's ch c Malua, by Marco—Harem, 5yrs, 8st.....O Madden 3

Also ran:—Mr. H. V. Jackson's Velocity, Messrs. L. de Rothschild's St. Amant, W. [redacted] Earla Mor, J. B. Joel's Dean Swift, Count L. de Stalke Huitfeldt's Ganelon II, Mr. A. Bailey's Ireland, Mr. F. Stroud's Sweet Katie, Ld. Hamilton of Dalzell's Cherry Ripe, Ld. Howard de Walden's His Eminence, Messrs. W. M. G. Singer's Manaton, T. G. Liddiard's Suecory, H. Trimmer's Laurier, M. Caillault's Camisard, Mr. R. C. Thompson's Bibiani, Capt. J. Orr-Ewing's Spate Mr. W. R. Wyndham's Farasi and Mr. J. Barrow's Gallingo.

(Winner trained by C. Peck.)

Betting:—11 to 10 against Polymelus. 10 to 1 against Kaffir Chief, 50 to 1 against Malua.

Won by three lengths, a neck between second and third.

For the last six years the Cambridgeshire has been a bad race for the ring, says the *Asian* and Polymelus' victory must have been about the hardest slap in the face that body have ever received, as Mr. Solly Joel's colt started at the fractional odds of 11 to 10, which considering that there were twenty runners, was a very short price indeed. It is doubtful if in the whole history of the race, which extends back to 1839, there has ever been a hotter favourite, and there has certainly not been one during the last ten years in which five favourites, one second favourite and four outsiders have got home.

RESULT OF THE DEWHURST PLATE,

London, Thursday, 25th October.

The Dewhurst Plate of 300 sovs. added to a sweepstake of 25 sovs each, 15 ft. for 2 year olds, colts 8st 9lbs, fillies and geldings 8st 7lbs, last seven furlongs of R. M. Closed 7th November, 1905.

Mr. W. Raphael's b c My Pet II, by Perth—My Mary.....O. Madden 1

Mr. D. Faber's b c Candahar, by Ayrshire—Lady Candahar.....D. Maher 2

Major Eustace Loder's b c Baltinglass, by Isinglass—Sibola.....B. Dillon 3

(Winner trained by D. Waugh, New market.)

Betting:—9 to 4 on My Pet II., 7 to 2 against Candahar, 20 to 1 against Baltinglass.

Won by two lengths; three lengths between second and third. Five ran.

RESULT OF THE JOCKEY CLUB CUP.

London, Thursday, 25th October.

The Jockey Club Cup of £500 added to a sweepstakes of £20 each h ft. for three year olds 7st 12lbs, four 8st 12lb, five 9st 1lb, six and aged 9st 2lb m and g allowed 2lb, second £50. Cesarewitch course 2¼ miles.

Mr. S. Joel's ch h Bachelor Button, by Winkfield—Milady 9st 2lbs.....D. Maher 1

Mr. L. E. Heineman's ch c Achilles, by Avington—Ankles, 7st 12lbs.....W. A. Higgs 2

(Winner trained by C. Peck.)

Betting:—13 to 8 on Bachelor's Button. Won by five lengths.

THE TATA SCHEME.

Further Enquiry.

MR. G. W. Hatch, resumed his enquiry yesterday at the Town Hall in regard to the proposed acquisition of land in seventeen villages in the District of Poona, Taluka Malwal, for the Hydro-electric scheme for bringing electric power into the island of Bombay.

The following were present at the enquiry:—Mr. Acworth of Messrs Little and Co, Dr. Johd Mannheim, Messrs. Kerr, Wright, A. J. Billimoria, the Hon'ble Mr. C. H. Armstrong, Mr. S. M. Rutnagar and others. The first witness called was Mr. Kerr, an Engineer, who said that the scheme was worked out on the hypothesis that the reservoirs had a certain capacity. In order to obtain that capacity, the acquisition of the land, as shown in the land plan, was absolutely necessary.

The Collector said that when he visited the villages through which the work had to pass, he was told that if they took the work 200 or 300 feet lower down, it would not be necessary to turn out an entire village. About three villages came in the line of the work and he was told that at least one village could be saved.

Mr. Kerr replied that the dam fixed upon was the only feasible dam. It was not possible to take it lower down as the Scheme was for the provision of so high horse-power. Certain modifications could be made by the Company to save valuable land at Lanowli, but it must be remembered, that the plan was so far absolutely fixed. The modifications might be considered but he was not prepared to say at present that it was possible.

The Collector enquired whether they wanted the acquisition of the whole land of the villages or only that marked on the map.

The Witness said that they required only a portion.

The Collector—What will you do with the remainder?

Mr. Kerr.—The villagers might be glad to retain it.

The Collector.—I don't think so. What would they do with the remainder of the land when the best portion of their land had been taken away? It is obvious that if their land is taken away, they won't live in grass land only. It may be necessary to modify your Scheme.

Mr. Acworth.—I don't think it is necessary to modify the Scheme and what we have to do is only to prove that the land is required for the Scheme and the only question to be then determined is the compensation for the land to be acquired.

Mr. Wright of Messrs. Lyon & Co. was next examined. He put in the following statement:—

I think the Scheme for bringing cheap electric power into Bombay is likely to prove useful to the public. I have not the knowledge to enable me to give expert opinion as to the merits of the Scheme, now forming the subject of enquiry, but the advantages of cheap electric power seem to me obvious:

(1) It would help small manufacturers even if the supply were limited to consumers of over 100 h. p.

(2) The existing Cotton mills, in which the prosperity of Bombay depends so largely, would be greatly benefited.

(3) It would conserve the water-supply in so far as it would save the water now used by the mills who elect to make use of electric power.

(4) It would abate the smoke nuisance.

The Hon'ble Mr. C. H. Armstrong examined by the Collector, said. "There was no doubt that cheap electric power would be of the greatest benefit to Bombay and its industries and would be welcome from a sanitary point of view as it would do away with the present smoke nuisance and give a pure atmosphere. It would also be profitable to the mill industry."

This concluded the proceedings of the day and further expert evidence will be taken by the Collector at the Town Hall at half past one to-morrow.

The proposed Hydro-Electric scheme for Bombay is now the subject of a public enquiry by Government, so that we shall probably hear soon what the promoters really intend to do. Dr. Mannheim, the Technical Adviser to the Company, at the first day's enquiry, pointed out the advantages the public would derive from the scheme. In his opinion the cost of driving power for the mills would be very much lower than at present, the smoke nuisance would cease, less water would be used, and the production of the mills would be of a better quality and cheaper. During the course of the enquiry it transpired that four mills, taking about 20,000 H.P.in all, had contracted for a ten year's supply, but it was not stated whether these four mills were owned by one person.

The reservoir for the collection of the water is stated to be situated at Lanowli, and the power-house, with a capacity of 50,000 H.-P., would be built at Kapoli, at the foot of the Ghats. Those who have drawn up the scheme should be in a position to know the quantity of water available, but in our opinion the watershed above Lanowli is not sufficient to collect the necessary water during the wet season, to give 50,600 H.-P. over the dry weather, even assuming that there is always a good monsoon, while for the mills to have to shut down through shortage of electric supply would, in a short time, turn all possible saving into a very great loss. Gladly would we welcome anything that could make the mills work more successfully in competing with the world's market, but we are afraid that considerably more is being expected of this scheme that is likely to be realised in practice. The present mill engine is a very economical source of power, and many of them have a long useful life before them. While it is extremely doubtful that even if the new scheme is ever brought to the working stage, it will be able to deliver power at the mill at anything less than the present cost of running the steam engines, it is almost certain that the cost of converting the existing mills to electric driving will be prohibitive. With the case of new mills this will be very different, for it costs little, if any, more to instal electric driving in the first instance than to put

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, NOVEMBER 6,

The undermentioned Officers are permitted to continue in their appointments of Specialists in the prevention of disease in the localities noted :—

Major Julian, Peshwar. Major Taylor, Kamptee, and Major Anderson Meerut.

Capt. Spiller, Allahabad ; Capt. Smallman, Secunderabad ; and Captain Brunskill, Rangoon.

Lieutenant Watson, Karachi.

Capt. Lelean, of Bareilly, is appointed a Specialist from the date he takes over charge in the Prevention of Disease.

Capt. Sulliwan, of the Army Veterinary Corps, is directed on relief to proceed to England,

Captain Bridges, of the 2nd Battalion of 5th Gurkhas, has been selected for appointment as Assistant Inspecting Officer, Kashmir Imperial Service Troops.

Lieutenant Todd, of the 39th Horse, has been appointed Aide-de-Camp to the Lieutenant Governor of Bengal.

Exchanges between Officers of the British Service and Indian Army have been restricted hitherto to Officers with not more than 14 years' service. This limit has now been extended to 18 years.

Lieutenant Beck, of the Irish Guards, is posted to the Northern Command for appointment to the Indian Army.

The death is reported of Lieutenent Barton of No. 8, Mountain Battery of the Royal Garrison Artillery, at Murree, on the 3rd of November, from enteric fever.

The posting of Lieutenant Maingay, R. E., to the Indian Establishment is cancelled.

Captain Rowan Robinson, of the Royal Garrison Artillery, is appointed to No. 9 Mountain Battery.

Lieutenant-Colonel Bingley has taken over charge of the office of Secretary, Army Department, from General Bayley, who proceeds on leave to England to-day.

WESTERN COMMAND ORDERS.

Major J. Talbot, 37th Lancers (Baluch Horse), to be Assistant Military Secretary and Aide-de-Camp to the Lieutenant-General Commanding vice Captain V. K. Birch, 29th Lancers (Deccan Horse), vacated. Dated 24th October.

33rd Punjabis.—2nd-Lieutenant G. Broughton, Unattached List, attached to the 2nd Battalion, Welsh Fusiliers, a candidate for the Indian Army, to be a Double Company Officer. Dated 20th October.

46th Punjabis.—2nd-Lieutenant E. J. E. Poole, Unattached List, attached to the 2nd (Battalion, Royal Sussex Regiment, a candidate for the Indian Army, to be a Double Company Officer. Dated 21st October.

2nd-Lieutenant E. H. Lewin, Unattached List, attached to the 1st Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment, a candidates for the Indian Army, to be a Double Company Officer. Dated 28th October.

82nd Punjabis.—2nd-Lieutenant H. L. Reilly, Unattached List, attached to the 2nd Battalion, Leicestershire Regiment, a candidate for the Indian Army, to be an Officiating Double Company Officer. Dated 23rd October.

107th Pioneers.—2nd-Lieutenant L. Griffith, 2nd Battalion, Welsh Regiment, a candidate for the Indian Army, to be a Double Company Officer. Dated 25th October.

108th Infantry.—2nd-Lieutenant A. A. H. Beaman, Unattached List, attached to the 1st Battalion, South Wales Borderers, a candidate for the Indian Army, to be a Double Company Officer. Dated 17th October.

1st Duke of York's Own Lancers (Skinner's Horse).—2nd, Lieutenant A. A. H. Beaman, Double Company Officer, 108th Infantry, to be an Officiating Squadron Officer, pending absorption. Dated 17th October.

124th Duchess of Connaught's Own Baluchistan Infantry.—2nd-Lieutenant H. C. Dobbs, No. 60 Company, Royal Garrison Artillery, a candidate for the Indian Army, to be a Double Company Officer. Dated 29th October.

35th Scinde Horse.—Lieutenant H. R. Dyer, Squadron Officer, to be Quartermaster. Dated 1st October.

The undermentioned Officers, who are under instructions from Army Head-Quarters, posted to the Western Command, will join the stations specified against their names, on return from leave :—Captain F. P. P. Rouse, Poona, as Divisional Accounts Officer, 6th (Poona) Division. Lieutenant A S Noake, Mhow, Assistant to the Officer Commanding Station Supply. Lieutenaut H. L. Harkness, Poona, Assistant to the Officer, Commanding Station Supply.

Lieutenant-Colonel G. R. C. Westropp, Officiating Inspector of Supply and Transport, Western Command, is permitted to proceed to Bombay and Ahmednagar to meet the Inspector-General of Supply and Transport on his tour of inspection.

Lieutenant C. J. Boyce, on return from leave, in India, on medical certificate, to Ahmednagar, as Officer Commanding Station Supply, vice Lieutenant J. C. S. Rendall, proceeding on leave, out of India.

The undermentioned Officers have been permitted to return to duty :—Lieutenant-Colonel R. F. H. Anderson, Deputy Judge, Advocate-General, Western Command. Lieutenant A. Chamberlayne, 1st Duke of York's Own Lancers (Skinner's Horse). Lieutenant C.H.G. Black, 34th Prince Albert Victor's Own Poona Horse. Lieutenant W.I.J. Massy, 12th Pioneers (The Kelat-i-Ghilzai Regiment). Major C B Baldock, 44th Merwara Infantry Captain H V Firth, 80th Carnatic Infantry, Lieutenant G W Cochran, 81st Pioneers, Brevet-Lieutenant-Colonel M J Tighe, D S O, 82nd Punjabis, Lieutenant R V Hunt, 123rd Outram's Rifles, Captain H Hulseburg, 127th (Princess of Wales's Own) 4ifth Light Infantry, Adjutant, Sind Volunteer Rifles. Captain H R Brown Indian Medical Service attached 81st Pioneers.

The undermentioned Officers had been granted extensions of leave. Captain H. B. Cheyne, 1st Duke of York's Own Lancers (Skinner's Horse) for three months, on medical certificate, Major R. J. R. Brown, 87th Punjabis for three months, on medical certificate. Lieutenant L. H. Branson, 110th Mahratta Light Infantry, for two months on private affairs.

THE CULTIVATOR OF SHOLAPUR.

A Character Sketch.

In the papers relating to the second revision Survey Settlement of the Sholapur talnka of the Sholapur Collectorate, Mr. Painter, the Assistant Collector of that district thus describes the ryot :—

The cultivators of the taluka are in no way peculiar : an easy-going, fairly contented, illiterate lot, mostly in debt and avincing no ambition to be otherwise ; conservative and a little suspicious ; good humoured patient, tolerant ; truthful when they consider it to their advantage to be so ; never very enterprising. Interests outside cultivation they have none, and they are dependent on such literate, and not always disinterested, individuals as they may have access to for the interpretation of all Government policies affecting agriculture. An easy prey to dishonesty on the part of astuter persons, they are not above combining with the latter to misrepresent facts for what they imagine will be their own benefit but which often proves to be to their undoing : the notorious evasion of the provisions of the Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act by the very persons whom the law seeks to protect is an instance in point. The life of a cultivator is simple in the extreme, the regular routine being broken only by domestic occurrences, the excitement of a local *cause celebre* in the criminal or civil courts, or, more rarely, a pilgrimage. His abode, shared between his family and his live-stock, and often with numerous more or less distant relations besides, is one of half a hundred flat-roofed, generally dilapidated, mud and stone houses clustered together anyhow in the untidy village site; but at harvest time he practically lives in the fields. Each holiday has its own threshing floor or *khalli* on the land itself, the communal threshing-floor of Gujarat being unknown. For storing their grain the cultivators use grain-pits in villages where the soil is of a nature to admit of these being made ; but such pits are often impossible owing to water being tapped or to other impediments. These grain pits, or *yes*, are sometimes found to the number of forty or fifty in an average-sized village. They are sunk in the open streets, not inside the owners' house-compounds or *wadas*, and thefts from them never occur, partly no doubt owing to the difficulty of getting at and removing the grain, and partly because pits have to be left open for some days before it is safe to enter them, owing to poisonous or suffocating gases generated. Most of the pits are of ancient date, but in this year of abundant crops I saw some new ones being dug. Pits are not so popular as they used to be, chiefly because, I am told, the people of the present day, being more *fastidious*, apparently, than their forefathers, object to a certain peculiarity of taste about grain which has been so stored. When grain-pits are not resorted to grain is kept in cavities built inside the houses known as *ambaras*, or in large wicker-work receptacles, placed outside, called *koningas*. Surplus fodder (Jowari stalks) is stacked in the fields, the stacks being plastered with cowdung or covered by clods of black earth when available ; the latter variety is known as a *depan*.

An attempt is to be made to restore Flatford Bridge, made famous by Constable, who introduced it into more than one of his paintings. It is now in such a condition that it threatens to drop into the river Stour and impede navigation.

SWAMI ABHEDANAND.

Cordial Reception From Hindus.

Last evening at the Framji Cowasji Hall, Dhobitalao, a large number of Hindus assembled in a meeting to accord a cordial reception to Swami Abhedanand, who returned from Europe and America after a successful mission. The Swami has established a temple of Vedantism in America. Sir Bhalchandra Krishna was voted to the chair.

The chairman observed that that Swami belonged to the mission of Ramkrishna Pramahansa and that he had proved a worthy delegate. He did yeoman's service during his travels in the West and on his return to India he had been accorded a very cordial reception by the Indians wherever he went. Now he had been in their midst and it was only becoming the great city to welcome the Swami in a manner worthy of his deeds.

The Hon. Mr Gokuldas R. Parekh read the following address:

"We, the citizens of Bombay in this meeting assembled most devoutly and cordially welcome your Worship to this illustrious capital of Western India. We [illegible] privilege to have the opportunity of [illegible] you a zealous preacher of the sublime doctrines of Vedantism. The work you have carried on, for nearly a decade, of proclaiming and expounding to the Western World and to America in particular, the tenets of Vedant has evoked the admiration of your countrymen and earned for your Revered Self their lasting gratitude. Amidst a conflict of religious opinions and dogmas on the one hand and the progress of materialism on the other, the bewildered mind of man has in modern times sought peace in different systems and ideals, but in vain. It was not till the appearance of the Ramkrishna Mission that the true Philosophy which brings tranquility to the mind under all conditions and circumstances was discovered to the world. The great mission inaugurated by your late revered *Guru* Shrimat Swami Ramkrishna Paramhansa, a truly great pastor and master of men, has exercised a great elevating influence on the character of all whom it brought within the pale of its influence and has proved the means of establishing an intellectual and religious communion between the East and the West. The mantle of your renowned predecessor and *gurubandhu* the late Shri Swami Vivekanand as the pioneer and preceptor of the Vedant Society in New York and other principal cities of the United States has worthily fallen on our shoulders. The phenomenal development of that Society since the demise of Swami Vivekanand be speaks the intense devotion, deep erudition, noble self-sacrifice and superb eloquence you have brought to bear on the work of securing a permanent footing in America for the religion of our forefathers. In conclusion, we pray to the Almighty God who is the Source of all Light and the Giver of all blessings to grant you a long life and energy to fulfil the blessed work of carrying the torch of true religious knowledge in continents to which it has hitherto been unknow. With a renewed assurance of the respect and love we bear towards you,—We beg to remain, Revered Swamin, Your admiring citizens of Bombay."

The Chairman presented the address to the Swami on behalf of the meeting.

The Swami then addressed the meeting on Universal Religion.

BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

AN ordinary monthly meeting of Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay was held yesterday, Mr. R. V. K. Kemball presiding. There were also present Sir Walter Hughes, Mr. G. W. Hatch, Mr. F. W. Cuffe, Dr. A. G. Viegas, Sir Sassoon David, Mr. D. E. Wacha, Mr. J. S. Brown, Mr. C. H. B. Forbes, Mr. W. D. Shephard, the [illegible] Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtula, and Sir Bhalchandra Krishna.

NEW OVERBRIDGE IN CHOWPATTY.

The meeting recorded a Government resolution in the Revenue Department, dated 24th August last, according sanction to the resumption of a portion of the Chowpatty Estate in connection with the new overbridge in scheme 111; also a notice of resumption from the Government solicitor.

THE AMIR'S VISIT TO BOMBAY.

The meeting considered a letter from Government in the Judicial Department, dated 30th October last, enquiring whether the whole of the Chowpatty Estate could be made available for erecting a camp for the party of H. H. the Amir of Afghanistan who, it is anticipated, will visit Bombay in February next, and asking that, if the above suggestion is regarded as very gravely inconvenient, reasons may be given for the same and alternative suggestions submitted for His Excellency's consideration.

After some discussion, the Board was of opinion that the chief objection to the camp proposed was that it would interfere with the measures for the shifting of the residents of affected districts into the usual health camps, and that the chairman should enquire whether alternative sites could not be formed for the followers of the Amir.

RESUMPTION OF A PORTION OF THE PAREL ESTATE.

The meeting considered a circular on memorandum by chairman on a letter from Government, enquiring whether the Trustees have any objection to the resumption of a portion of the Parel Estate for providing a site for infectious diseases wards in connection with the European General Hospital.

The Board resolved that Government should be informed that the Board considered that infectious diseases wards should be placed to the east of what would be in the future the populated parts of the Island, and that better lands for the purpose could be found on the east of the Board's new scheme or specially acquired by Government elsewhere for the purpose.

After transacting some other business, the meeting adjourned.

COTTON MANUFACTURES IN INDIA.

Statistics of Cotton spinning and weaving in the Indian Mills in August 1906, and in the five months, April to August 1906, compared with the corresponding period of 1904 and 1905.

[Compiled in the Commercial Intelligence Department of the Government of India from accounts rendered by millowners under the terms of the Cotton Duties Act II of 1896.]

ABSTRACT STATEMENT of the QUANTITY [illegible] pounds) of YARN Spun.

	Month of August.		
	1904	1905	1906
British India.			
Bombay	37329777	43883280	41870704
Madras	2586168	3198074	3238493
Bengal	3103147	4615626	4121354
United Provinces of Agra and Oudh (also Ajmer-Merwara).	2990653	3214586	3079635
Punjab	773606	1148913	1218621
Central Provinces and Berar	3.54710	2887075	1478288
Total	48333061	58448024	55986196
Foreign Territory.			
Native States of Indore, Mysore, Baroda, Nandgaon, Bhavnagar Hyderabad Wadhwan, Quilon, Kishengarh & Ujjain		2217777	1948778
Grand Total ..	80233211	60715831	57932973

ABSTRACT STATEMENT of the QUANTITY of WOVEN GOODS Produced.

N.B.—The weight in pounds represents the weight of all woven goods ; the measure in yards represents the equivalent of the weight of the grey goods alone.

		Month of August.		
		1904	1905	1906
British India.				
Bombay	pds.	18191863	19030131	11693218
	yds.	36917234	37714526	23706884
	doz.	2716	22775	32007
Madras	pds.	507[illegible]3	7.3[illegible]0	707561
	yds.	788926	1034519	2332 64
	doz.	...	..	703
Bengal ... ... :	pds.	79118	66800	94[illegible]2
	yds.	296079	254823	290060
United Provinces of Agra and Oudh, (also Ajmer-Merwara) ...	pds.	612408	624706	7[illegible]398
	yds.	2212148	2313133	29936 0
	doz.	...	...	3697
Punjab	pds.	7983	1429	33237
	yds.	23362	47698	104012
	doz.	...	..	...
Central Provinces and Berar	pds	5[illegible]293	716484	5[illegible]294
	yds.	1[illegible]884	2[illegible]2186	2[illegible]8
	doz.	..	..	642
Total ...	pds.	19097860	19[illegible]6642	12[illegible]3613
	yds.	40[illegible]3365	4[illegible]6606	61[illegible]198
	doz.	3716	2 77.	5[illegible]9
Foreign Territory.				
Native States of Indore, Mysore, Baroda, Nandgaon, Bhavnagar, Hyderabad and Wadhwan,	yds.	486349	599709	690178
Grand Total ..	pds.	19584103	19709351	14[illegible]3021
	yds.	41[illegible]5	4[illegible]6606	63[illegible]46
	doz.	3716	27776	5[illegible]9

KOLHAPUR AFFAIRS.

THE first round of fire has been exchanged between the Kolhapur Representative Assembly and the Maharaja. According to the Pauranic custom the first arrow that a dutiful student or a loyal subject shoots at his preceptor or master in a forced fight with the latter is aimed only at the feet and not at the heart. Even in war the claims of duty and courtesy are inexorable, and the Representative Assembly were, therefore, perfectly respectful and dignified in their first petition to the Maharaja. The Maharaja, however, need not have shown a corresponding sense of his duty ; for rulers as a class may be supposed to be impudent and they will be nothing but impudent when they think they may be so safely enough. The reply which the Dewan of Kolhapur gave to the President of the Representative Assembly on behalf of the Maharaja may certainly be described as impudent. It not only refuses to recognise the Assembly to which it applies the sneering epithet of "the so-called," but roundly promises for all the endless future that any further communication on the subject will receive no attention. We think we know well enough how the Maharaja could find it in him to reply in this fashion to a loyal and constitutional petition, made openly and without anonymity of any kind by several most well-known and influential among the educated people in his little Raj. A Native Prince in India may affect at least one vice of his Suzerain not only with perfect immunity but even with positive encouragement. That one vice is the jealousy, contempt and defiance of popular rights. Did not Lords Dufferin and Curzon refuse to recognise the National Congress and receive its President as such President ? Well, the Maharaja of Kolhapur too can safely do the same in his little Raj and may even expect to receive an appreciative patting on the back from the Political Agent. On the ground of the opposition to popular aspirations at any rate our Native Princes as a rule may safely assume that they have a perfectly common cause with the British Government in the land with altogether identical interests on all points. As regards the Maharaja of Kolhapur in particular, the ivory gates of the Political Agency having been securely fastened with precious locks put upon them, he need not now, for sometime to come at any rate, fear, that any unpleasant dreams will come his way and disturb his sweet repose. We do not despair, however, of the popular cause in the Kolhapur State. For history has on its record much more impudent replies given to equally humble, respectful and legitimate petitions by rulers who were infinitely better in their temper and infinitely more constitutional in their politics.

Readers of history are aware that even in England such a right as that of making a petition to the king was at one time denied to the subjects, and had to be obtained by fighting for it. The Maharaja need not think that he has shown any originality, indicative of a special genius for tyranny, by taking up the attitude he has done towards the Representative Assembly. But we think that he will have to revise his methods much sooner than he perhaps thinks in his present position of security. It is claimed for the Maharaja by his Anglo-Indian advocates that he is the direct descendant of Shivaji and lineally the head of the Maharatta Princes in India. If that be so the responsibility of the Maharaja is all the greater for behaving towards subjects in a way as to make them happy and contented. He is beloved, it is said, by the majority of his people. We have no wish to dispute a statement so sweet and flattering. But a plebescite taken just at this time in his own capital might perhaps prove very instructive to the Maharaja himself and his Anglo-Indian admirers. His manly and straightforward qualities have, we are told, earned for him the respect and esteem of all Englishmen. We wish the Maharaja's subjects would endorse such a certificate, though in a matter of this kind we would rather refrain from expanding as we should have otherwise to discuss his personality. We would only observe that unfortunately the same phases of his character which seem to be presented towards the British Government, to whom he is said to be loyal to the core, are not uniformly exhibited towards his subjects. Consequently they often find him much different from what he is portrayed by his Anglo-Indian painters. In fact the present troubles in the Kolhapur State can for the most part be traced to the peculiarities of the Maharaja's mental and moral composition : and it is simply drawing a red herring across the way of legitimate inquiry to suggest that his struggle is a struggle against a Brahmin domination. One feels only amused to read of the Maharaja being described in the Anglo-Indian Press as a valiant champion of the backward classes struggling against such a domination.

Affecting the veracity and the research a historian a Bombay daily in its notorious article on the Kolhapur affairs, has centred its fire upon the Chitpawan Brahmin. It speaks of the Chitpawan Diwan of the seventies having imported his castemen in the state, to the alleged neglect of the interests of the sons of the soil. The facts, however, are otherwise. The Chitpawan Diwan of the seventies was not half so notorious for introducing his castemen in the services as some non-Brahmin officers of a later age. And even supposing he had pitchforked some of his people in the state service, they must have been now either on the pension list or must have died by wicked would altogether. That with the non-Brahman Political Agents, the non-Brahman Maharaja, and non-Brahman, Diwan, holding full sway in the Kolhapur state during the last twenty years it should be easy to see that the Brahmins as a class must have been effectively put down beyond all hope of raising their heads again. Well, if that was really a consummation devoutly to be wished for in the best interests of the State we heartily welcome the Kolhapur Durbar to its joy. But the fact is that it is no political domination or preponderance in the services that the leaders of public opinion in the State seek ; and this is evident from the resolutions of the last meeting of the Representative Assembly at Kolhapur which do not contain even one word about the distribution of patronage in official employments. The Assembly was made up of Non-Brahmins as well as Brahmins, and it may particularly be mentioned that not only the President and the Chairman of the Reception Committee of the Assembly were not Chitpawan Brahmins but that Chitpawans as a class were more conspicuous by their absence in the Assembly. But it must be obvious to any fair-minded man that neither subjectively nor objectively had the Assembly anything to do with sections of the population. We challenge any one to prove the contrary from these resolutions which after all must be regarded as even a better index of its intentions than the denomination of its constituents. If the *Times* is so sure that certain prominent Congress leaders have been associated with the agitation in Kolhapur, then it ought to have forth with concluded that the domination of a class was the thing farthest from the intentions of the Assembly. For Brahmin domination is admittedly not the aim of Congress politics. The struggle, if there be a struggle, is being waged for a principle which had to be vindicated in every country and by every nation that aspired for popular government in one form or another. In Kolhapur it is even less than this. No body wants to set up there a republic or a full-fledged parliament that can legislate in defiance of the Maharaja. The claim so far set out is a remarkably modest and humble one. It is a claim to the right to petition the Maharaja in public meeting, assembly, or association ; and it is, in our opinion, the height of unfairness to represent that it is otherwise. The Maharaja is welcome to refuse recognition to the Assembly on any technical or even foolish grounds which the ingenuity of his advisers may suggest. We would not much care about it as we are confident that the petty-min-dedness of unconstitutional rulers has in the long run to yield to persistent political agitation. But what we seriously complain of is the wilful and diabolical misrepresentation of the real aims of the Kolhapur Assembly, which is the first movement of its kind in the leading Southern Maharatta State—*Mahratta*,

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CROPS IN INDIA.

The Season's Outlook.

The season and crop prospects for the week ending Saturday, 27th October give the following details :—

UNITED PROVINCES.

There was no rain during the week. The late rice is suffering in the South-Eastern and Eastern Submontane Districts. The condition of other crops is good. Autumn harvesting and sowings for the spring crop continue. Cane is being pressed and cotton is being picked. Cholera and fever are still prevalent in a few districts. Fodder and food supplies are generally sufficient. Prices have risen in eight districts.

The weekly report on the famine is as follows :—Relief operations have been closed except in Gorakhpur. The prospects in that district, except of the rice crop which is suffering from want of rain and where the crops were destroyed by floods, are good. Prices remain high owing to exports. The numbers on relief are :—Gorakpur—on works 543, on gratuitous relief 670, total 1,213.

PUNJAB.

Slight rain occurred in parts of Sialkot, Shahpur, and Rawalpindi during the week. Prices of food-grains are generally unchanged ; wheat is slightly rising in Rohtak only. Harvesting of autumn and sowing of spring crops continue. The condition and the prospects of standing crops are good and the outturn of autumn crops is good to average. The condition of cotton is bad in Lyallpur. The outturn is poor in Amritsar and Shahpur. Locusts have appeared in parts of the Province and young locusts are damaging the crops in Amritsar and Shahpur. Measures are being taken for the destruction of locusts. Cattle are generally in good condition. Fodder is sufficient. There are no complaints regarding the water-supply.

NORTH-WEST FRONTIER PROVINCE.

There was no rain during the week. It is wanted for unirrigated tracts. The condition of the standing crops on irrigated and unirrigated areas is good except in the Swabi tahsil where it is slightly below the average. Locusts have slightly damaged sprouting crops in the Dera and Kulachi tahsils. Harvest prospects and the probable outturn of the autumn crops are good. The outturn of cotton is below the average in Dera Ismail Khan. The spring sowings are in progress. The water-supply is sufficient. There is no irrigation from hill torrents in Dera Ismail Khan The condition of cattle is good except in the Kulachi. tahsil where fodder is somewhat scarce. Prices are falling. Price :—wheat 14 6/16 to 19 1/2 ; gram 16 14/16 to 22 ; maize 15 to 25 1/2 ; and *bajra* 13 to 21 seers per rupee.

RAJPUTANA.

Harvesting operations continue and also sowings for spring crops. Prospects are favourable. Slight damage has been caused by locusts in Marwar, Jaisalmer and Tonk. The condition of cattle is good. Pasturage and fodder are sufficient. Prices are rising in Tonk and Karauli ; falling in Kotah and are steady elswhere. Prices are still higher in some places.

CENTRAL INDIA.

There was no rain during the week. The autumn harvesting and the sowing of spring crops are in progress. The standing crops and the probable outturn are fair to good. The cotton crop has been slightly damaged in parts of Malwa owing to the heat. Pasturage is good and sufficient. Prices are high in Gwalior and Baghelkhand ; have fallen slightly in Bhopawar and are steady elsewhere.

The weekly report on famine and scarity is as follows :—The numbers on relief in Bundelkhand are :—on works *nil* ; on gratuitous relief 9, total 9. Prices—14 seers per rupee. Works and gratuitous relief closed in Orchha.

CENTRAL PROVINCES.

There was a sprinkling of rain in the Chhattisgarh district but elsewhere the weather has been cloudy and cool. The autumn harvest is progressing and threshing has commenced in places. Spring sowings continue and germination is good. Cotton-picking has commenced in parts of Nimar, Chanda, Akola, and Buldana. A shower is required to improve the prospects of the autumn crops in Chindwara and Chanda. Slight damage is reported to linseed and rice from insects in parts of Chanda and Balaghat. Locusts appeared in the Basim taluq and in Buldana but did little or no damage. The standing crops continue generally to be very promising. Fodder and water are sufficient everywhere. Gram in Hoshangabad and Akola, rice in Saugor and Betul and *juar* in Nimar have become slightly cheaper ; gram in Saugor, rice in Mandla and *juar* in Saugor have become a little dearer ; elsewhere the prices of food-grains are steady or fluctuate slightly but continue equal to the scarcity level in Nagpur, Chanda, Balaghat, and Bilaspur.

The Bombay report has already appeared.

The number of persons in relief was 63,397 a decrease of 34,695.

THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, NOVEMBER 6.

Pressure is still lowest in the neighbourhood of the Andamans and the rainfall in Burma extended northwards into Upper Burma, while that in the southern half of the Peninsula occurred on and near the West Coast district from Persia giving cloud in the extreme north but no precipitation report.

In Burma light to moderate rain has fallen locally, the largest amount being 1¼ inches in Tavoy.

In Upper Burma cloud and humidity have increased and the skies are moderately overcast ; but on the coast the skies are only lightly clouded, while the temperature in Burma and Orissa and the skies remain clear accept at a few stations in Eastern Bengal and Assam where the temperature has not changed much and is generally normal.

In the Central Province the skies are still lightly overcast in several station while at the hill stations in the United Provinces light cloud appear and the air has become considerably damper in the United Provinces except in the South-Western districts of the United Provinces, Central India, and the Central Provinces.

In the extreme north moderate cloud has appeared at a number of stations and the skies are lightly overcast in Sind, but in the rest of the north West of India they are clear. Humidity has increased in the Punjab and Rajputana and the temperature has not changed much and is everywhere normal or in excess.

On the West Coast, South of Goa light and nearly general rain has fallen and a few light falls occurred in the adjacent districts and in the Circars. Cloud decreased slightly and the skies are generally lightly overcast while the air has become drier in the Deccan and the temperature has fallen a little in the Peninsula but remains normal or in excess.

Local rain is probable in Burma and the southern half of the Peninsula.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8. A.M. ON

TUESDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER.

SUMMARY.

Pressure changes have been small and irregular.

Winds are very variable in direction and the force has been moderate to light.

Temperature.—The greatest variations are :—maximum 5° to 7° in excess at Cuddapah, Hyderabad (Deccan), Bangalore, Bijapur, Ahmednagar, Malegaon, Surat and Deesa, and minimum 5° to 10° in excess at Ratnagiri, Malegaon, Karachi and Jacobabad. The highest temperature in the shade was 98° at Deesa and the lowest 53° at Lahore.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is locally cloudy in the south of the Peninsula.

Rain.—Thirteen stations report rain, the heaviest fall being 3·65" at Colombo.

Weather is still favourable for local rain to the south of latitude 18°.

N. LESLIE,

Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

MRS. MAURICE UNGER, the wife of a wealthy New York estate agent, committed suicide by inhaling the gas turned on in her bedroom. A note was on the dressing-table, with the words, "Good-bye. Tired ; want rest." A fortnight's cloths and dishes had been left unwashed on account of the difficulty Mrs. Unger had found in obtaining a servant, despite her offers of a sovereign a week.

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THE NATIVE PRESS.

THE TATA POWER SCHEME AND BOMBAY MILLS.

THE *Indian Spectator* writes :—No educated man nowadays need be told about the advantages of electric power generally : experts may differ on the feasibility, or the measure of utility, or the cost of particular schemes. Mysore has already taken the lead in utilising water-power for generating electricity. In the Punjab a scheme is under consideration for bringing the power from Kashmir. In Madras it has been proposed to utilise the Periyar irrigation works for a similar purpose. If from a commercial point of view a given project proves impracticable, it necessarily falls through. From the standpoint of the Government and the public in general, as distinguished from the standpoint of shareholders, one great advantage of substituting electricity for steam in the Bombay mills would be to do away with the smoke nuisance. The Hon. Mr. Vithaldas expects that the scheme under discussion will be able to supply electric power to sixty per cent. of the mills in Bombay ; and Mr. Acworth thought that the other forty per cent. might be supplied by the Tramway Company. Even if electricity should be unable to supplant steam entirely, a substantial abatement of the smoke nuisance will not be unwelcome. Dr. Mannheim's exposition of the multifarious advantages expected from the scheme is quoted elsewhere. In reply to a question put by the Collector Mr. Thackersey said that there would not be any material reduction in the quantity of labour employed in the mills. Even if the demand for labour should be curtailed to an extent which would not be liked by the mill-lands, that would not be a good ground for discouraging the use of electricity. Science aims at reducing the demand for manual labour. The inquiry is not complete, and it seems certain objections are to be urged. Presumably the objections have reference to the injury that might be caused to the interests of another Company. It should not be impossible to surmount such difficulties.

The *Parsi* remarks :—The whole scheme is worked out in great detail, even down to the price at which current is to be supplied—though on this point, of course, there would have to be some definite undertaking in any case before permission to proceed with the scheme could be granted ; the promoters are, however, prepared to supply motors, &c., free of charge in the mills which take current from them. This practically ensures the success of the undertaking, for there is no reason for mill-owners to hold back because of having invested capital in steam plant. Those that have the plant may dispose of it how they will—the disposal is profitable in any case. The chief speakers at the meeting, were the Hon. Mr. H. E. Procter and the Hon. Mr. Vithaldas Damodar Thackersey. Both were strongly in favour of the scheme. Mr. Procter gave it as his opinion that electric power at ·61 anna per unit was the cheapest that could be hoped for ; and Mr. Vithaldas reassured those who feared that it might mean a reduction in the mill staff. Both spoke of the advantages accruing from the abolition of those two abominations, the mill chimney and the mill tank. If these disappeared the city would be vastly the gainer even though the engineering staff disappeared with them

TYRANNY OF THE TELEGRAPH MONOPOLISTS.

The *Kaiser-i-Hind* complains :—There is no gainsaying the fact that the cost of the cablegrams to foreign parts is exceedingly dear. The rates still are so exorbitant that every class of the great communities of India, specially publicists and the men of commerce and industries, has been bitterly complaining of it. In spite of the most influential agitation, backed up by the might of the Government of India itself, there seems to be no response whatever on the part of those telegraphic monarchs who have the reins of the cables in their tight grip. The fresh agitation now going on for a reduction of the cost of cablegrams is, therefore, much to be welcomed. The walls of those high tariff-walas need to be scaled and a solid breach made in them. But it will need all the combined energy and perseverance of the publicspirited spirit by the Government, to achieve that most desirable object. India has suffered immensely during the last fifty years by reason of the financial tyranny of those railway despots who had drawn a cast-iron cordon round the unbusinesslike Government of India. It is only of late that the people and the State alike have been released from that tyranny. And so far it is a relief

PROPOSED UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION HALL.

The *Rast Goftar* is in favour of building a University Examination Hall close to the University building, and discourses :—Inquiries have been made, in the meantime, as to the results of the scheme for the erection of a Hall to which Dr. Mackichan made a reference, at some length, in the course of his last Convocation speech. We cannot take upon ourselves to declare how far that scheme has progressed since the late Vice-Chancellor dwelt upon the advisability of providing the University with a permanent Hall. From statements made by the Registrar at the last Convocation of the University, it will be remembered that the matter had so far advanced as to enlist the sympathetic consideration of the syndicate, which was already in communication with Government and had applied for permission to employ a part of the grant of Rs. 50,000 made to the University for the erection of an Examination Hall. Opinions are divided in the Senate as to locating of Hall, the on the site suggested by the Vice-Chancellor and the scheme seems likely to be put off if the authorities fail to avail themselves of the plot of ground which is already at their disposal. It is contemplated to utilise the open space about the University buildings for the construction of the Hall. The authorities cannot lay their hands on a better and more suitable spot, which is at a stone's throw from the tramway tract and otherwise very conveniently situated. Some of the prominent members of the Senate are, we are told, opposed to the project of locating the Hall in the suggested quarters, and insist that no encroachment should be made on the gardens, which they desire to keep intact for the use of the public. Though we strongly deprecate all scheme by which to deprive the already overcrowded portions of the city of its open spaces—the lungs of the city as they are properly designated—we think no better site can be suggested for the location of the proposed hall. Moreover, the fact should not be lost sight of that the lot was originally assigned by the Government, in or the provision of a public garden, but for its utilisation for University buildings.

THE LADIES' CORNER.

COATS FOR EVENING WEAR.

A great assortment of coats for evening wear is now to be seen, and the variety in the styles offered gives every woman an opportunity of consulting her taste as well as her purse. A charming evening coat is of cream cloth, lined with silk, and trimmed with velvet and lace motifs. This coat is full length, and has three circular capes round the shoulders bordered with velvet. Another smart evening coat was of faced cloth, trimmed with guipure lace and silk embroidery. The wide sleeves were finished with a turned-back cuff, faced with lace over silk, and three straps went across the front of the coat with pretty buttons. An exquisite evening coat was of brown panne a dorned with coffee-coloured Irish lace motifs and silk braid. A large Watteau pleat went down the centre of the back, and a turned-back cuff displayed a lining of rich cream satin. Silk cord and tasseis formed the fastenings of this lovely creation.

IN VIEUX ROSE CLOTH.

A simple but serviceable coat was of vieux rose cloth. It came to below the knees, and was gauged to a square yoke, the joining being concealed by ribbon vel

BY THE WAY.

NEW APPOINTMENTS AT OXFORD.

At the commencement of this term, Mr. Gilbert C. Bourne took up the work of the Linacre Professorship in succession to the late Dr. W. F. R. Weldon. Mr. Bourne's influence is not confined to the lecture-room. He is an ardent Volunteer, and Oxford rowing owes more to him, perhaps, than to any other member of the University. From 1892 to 1898, Dr. Bourne was assistant to Dr. Ray Lankester, then Linacre Professor, and it was rumoured that Dr. Lankester would again compete for the Chair. The revived Sibthorpian Professorship is said to be in excellent hands. And Mr. William Somerville, who has been a Professor of Forestry in Durham and in Cambridge, is now taking up his residence at Oxford, having been made a Fellow of St. John's College.

OTHER NEW FELLOWS.

The other new Fellows of the term are Mr. James E. Marsh, M. A., F.R.S., of Balliol, now Fellow of Merton; Mr. W. H. Mollerley, who entered New College as a scholar in 1900 and took a Theological Fellowship at Merton in 1904, is now elected Fellow and Philosophical Tutor at Lincoln College. The Tutorship of Ancient History, vacant at University College owing to Mr. Mason's acceptance of the headship, has been offered to and accepted by Mr. W. H. Stevenson. Mr. Stevenson is of Glasgow and Balliol, and since his Oxford days he has lectured in Edinburgh. Much regret is felt that, after all, Lord Curzon, of Balliol, will not be able to give his much-expected Romanes lecture. At the last moment, Mr. W. P. Ker, an old Balliol man, who is now Fellow of All Souls and Professor of English Literature in University College, London, has consented to take the ex-Viceroy's place.

THE HALLES CENTRALES.

The Halles Centrales, where the Lord Mayor appears to have distributed his kisses unevenly, was originally not only a provision depot but also a burial-ground. One of its epitaphs which have been preserved is interesting: "Here lies Jollande Bailli, who died in 1518, in the 88th year of her age and the 42nd of her widowhood, having seen children descended from her to the number of 295." It was also to the Halles that Jacques d'Armagnac, Duc de Nemours, after being confined in an iron cage, was taken to be beheaded by order of Louis XI., his children, dressed in white, being forced to stand beneath the scaffold, that their robes might be saturated with their father's blood. The present buildings include a well-known cafe which remains open all night. Readers of "Trilby" will remember that "Little Billee" was recommended to visit it by a physician as a cure for melancholia.

AN ENORMOUS GAME PRESERVE.

Since the days when the Hudson's Bay Company jealously kept the whole of Western Canada as a hunting-ground, probably no such vast game preserve has been formed as that contemplated by the recently organised New Brunswick Fish and Game Club. The territory to be taken over by this club covers no less than 1,700,000 acres, owned by the New Brunswick Railway Company, in Victoria and Madawaska counties. The provincial Government has taken alarm, and the Prime Minister, Mr. Tweedie, announces that everything possible will be done, and legislation passed if necessary, to prevent the club from monopolising the right to hunt and fish over that enormous area. It appears that the land was granted to the railway company thirty-five years ago, but it has remained a wilderness, untilled and untaxed.

POINTS OF VIEW.

It is as certain as that two and two make four that in Great Britain, as in Germany, as in Belgium, as in Italy, Socialism will kill the Liberal Party.—*Clarion.*

I really do not know where the difference comes in, but the vulgarity of Shoreditch is not a tenthpart so offensive as the vulgarity of the West End.—William Archer, in the *Tribune.*

It is undoubtedly the progress, prestige, and self-confidence of Japan that, more than anything else, have awakened China to the sense of her duty towards herself.—*Japan Weekly Chronicle.*

The dead hand of Hinduism is over the Church in South India as a whole, is paralysing its energies and poisoning its sources of life and strength.—Rev. J. A. Sharrock, in *The East and The West.*

The able editors of party organs know perfectly well that once the Liberal Party throws off its mask of friendship and comes out into the open to make war upon Socialism its utter defeat is assured.—*Justice.*

Whenever we encourage a child prodigy, we do our utmost to spoil a genius. Just now we are spoiling them at a terrific rate. We also are prodigals, spendthrifts of brain and sense.—*Evening Standard.*

Why are we all so anxious to be thin? Thin people are proverbially cross-grained, unhappy, and sour. A normal degree of plumpness, to a woman at least, means beauty.—Lady Violet Greville, in the *Graphic*

There is too much loose talk about the chances in emigration. After all, there are still chances at home for those who can take them, and neither Canada nor any other country in the world is an El Dorado for the majority.—*Glasgow News.*

Aristotle said that the solitary person must either be a god or a beast. The Club fogey, as a rule, is both . . . (text) essential quality of the Club fogey, as a distinguished from the Club bore, is that he is in the life of the place, but not of it.—*Guardian.*

For giving a bridge party, a New York lady has been fined "for having conducted a game of chance." The guests are said to be furious at this insult to their skill. In bridge very little is left to chance. In certain circles, we believe, not even the dealing.—*Globe.*

The Moroccan question still reserves for us more than one surprise and difficulty, as we still have adversaries who know well how to embroil it. Let us be on our guard, since our security in North Africa depends exclusively upon our own vigilance.—M. Andre Mevil, in the *Echo de Paris.*

The aim of schools and colleges should be not to cram the mind with isolated factors and reduce the brain to a sort of automatic machine, but to show the child or the youth how best to acquire knowledge and how to use it to the highest advantage of self and State.—*South Wales Daily News.*

So far as the medical profession is concerned, the Public Prosecutor might as well be non-existent: although at the present moment there is far more absolute fraud carried on under medical and semi-medical guises than would occupy the whole time and energies of a second Public Prosecutor.—*Medical Press.*

London's voice proclaims no petty prejudices inclines to no clannish, provincial opinions, and upholds no merely local interests. It sounds rather as the sum-total of the experience of mankind and aims at securing the peace of all the world. For the Londoner is not merely he who is born within the sound of Bow Bells, and who lives and strives for the prosperity of his metropolis. No less London's citizens are those sent to her from every town and district in the kingdom from every colony and dominion beyond the seas, from every independent country on the earth, to make known the needs and aspirations of every group of humanity.—*Saturday Review.*

AB AT-AB-AT-ELZ.

(By Wunnu-soz.)

It lately occurred that the *Jen-rilka-mand en* the *Pindid-ne-ishun.*
Decided to *bakkup* the *trupzne izarni* by making then wander about in the mountains.
And undergo training to *phittem-phorh-attel.*
So he sent three *ba-tal yens* and three *kut-chub-atriz* who live in the *Sum-mah* in various *plas iz*
Adjacent to *Murr-ri* with orders to *murr-ri* their way through *thag-ullz.*
And make a descent upon *Ab-at-ab-ad.*
His *jen rilli-gil un* learned in *phytia* then issued his orders to all of *ziteupz.*
And called his instructions the *Jen rillai-dir.*
One of the *ar-miz* wore *reddon thar-hatz* to let it be known they belonged to the *fors iz.*
Invading the country. They didn't much care what they *woron thar-hatz.*
As long as they managed to get through *thub iz niz* and got back *tap indi* as soon as they could.
The gallant *deph en-daz* the *Gur-haz* and *Gun naz* were not so well off as the ruthless *en vad az.*
They hadn't *ab-am el* nor even *aj ah has* to carry their *bag-guj.*
So they sat on a mountain quite close to *tharh-ar-ikz* in *bump-ruph en-trensh-mentz.*
Cocking *snukz* at the men with the *reddon-thar-hatz.*
The ruthless *en rad-az* came straight for the *tren-tchez* not caring *ad-amphor* the terrible torrent
Of *bull iz-ansh oMz* which the gallant *deph-en daz* kept pouring upon them from rifle and gun.
But after a while they began to reflect, for besides having all *sored-zoo-dore* on their backs
They were shortly so full of *snah larmam-gun-ish en* that they they found it *aj ob* to keep going at all.
So thinking it better to cease their *en dev az* they quickly retreated and made for *thap lans.*
The *Gur-haz* and *Gun naz* were up *inam-inet* and followed them swiftly through paths in the mountains.
Where they fell on them fiercely and put them *toph-lide.*
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With many regrets that *thuf-rollik* was done.

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BOOKS AND BOOKMEN.

In the October number of the "Author" we find an interesting disquisition on the size and weight of books. This is a matter that seriously affects the reader's convenience. Perhaps the author of the aphorism that a great book is a great evil was thinking as much of physical as of spiritual considerations. Modern publishers are too apt to make their volumes far heavier than need be, especially by the use of that abominable clay loaded paper which some of them affect—especially in illustrated works—without the slightest excuse. History tells us that the oldest books were the heaviest, since a Babylonian library consisted of tablets or cylinders of stone or baked clay, each of which corresponded to a page. They were all but imperishable, yet the backs of students must have ached worse in those days than they ever do now. With the introduction of lighter materials, such as papyrus and parchment, came also the notion of the reader's comfort. The roll, or "volumen," was neither heavy nor large, except in a few cases, such as those of ecclesiastical works. It was, indeed, almost impossible to read for pleasure unless the size of the roll was kept within well-defined limits. When the rolls were converted into what we still call volumes it became more possible to make a large book which could be consulted without insuperable difficulties. The taste for huge folios then set in, and the size and weight of mediæval manuscripts were by no means inviting to the reader. As a rule they were intended to be consulted at the desk on which they were kept, often being chained to it, as we still see them in a few libraries. It was only the invention of printing which made small books possible—"the dear and the dumpy twelves" came in with Aldus and the Elzevirs. Nowadays, with the improvements in paper and typography, we are able to achieve miracles of compression. Such a book as the Globe "Shakspere" represents an even more practical advance than the tiny editions of Pickering, who only managed to give us a Horace or a Virgil that would go into the waistcoat pocket at the expense of our eyesight; for the Pickerings, in spite of the beautiful clearness of their type, are not really readable.

The announcement of a forthcoming work on "Savage Childhood" may incline the cynic to ask whether such a title is not a pleonasm. There are some who hold, from their own experience, that all childhood is savage—"cet age est sans pitie," as La Fontaine observed; he was not a confirmed bachelor, as one might expect, but he could not live with his wife. Anthropologists tell us, in a less cynical fashion, that the childhood of civilised mankind throws considerable light upon primitive manners, as these in turn illustrate the childhood of the world. However, it seems that the book in question is not so much a companion to professor Sully's work as an attempt to describe the life of the children of South African tribes. Our own children ought to read it with pleasure, since one always finds them keenly interested in the different experiences of their foreign contemporaries:—

"You have seen the scarlet trees
And the lions over seas;
You have eaten ostrich eggs
And turned the turtles off their legs.

Such a life is very fine,
But it's not so nice as mine:
You must often, as you trod,
Have wearied not to be abroad.

You have curious things to eat,
I am fed on proper meat;
You must dwell beyond the foam,
But I am safe and live at home."

This, it will be observed, is an expression of the same charmingly insular feeling which made Captain Dyngwell announce, when in Belgium, that he would punch the head of any chap who called him a foreigner.

An amusing illustration of the modern working of the Papal Index is afforded by Dr. Guido Biagi in his annual account of Italian literature in the "Athenæum." He tells us that the much-discussed novel of Foggazzaro, "Il Santo," was recently placed on the Index of prohibited books. The author, a devout and believing Catholic, "laudabiliter se subjecit et opus reprobavit" in order not to incur excommunication. He also announced that he would permit no new translations of the story, but that he could not prevent the publisher from continuing to sell it, as he had a legal contract with him. Apparently this method of "making the best of both worlds" has commended itself to the authorities, and no further proceedings have been taken to bring Signor Foggazzaro under the ban of the Church. After all, publishers' agreements are sometimes convenient institutions, though authors are apt to abuse them, and Mr. Bernard Shaw has pronounced that they afford a sufficient codemnation of the morality of the publisher. It is difficult, however, to please everybody; and Foggazzaro's submission to the ecclesiastical censure even in this limited form, has caused Italian Liberals to inquire whether he is fit for the position which he holds on the Higher Council of Public Instruction.

Mr. William Rossetti's publications about his family already amount to seventeen, apart from some minor papers. Yet he has been able to fill the two big volumns which are published now mainly with matter about his famous brother and Elizabeth Siddal and his sister Christina, and even to present some new points of first-rate interest about them. One of these is Mr. Swinburne's appreciation of Mrs. Dante Rossetti which he sent to Mr. Rossetti expressing a wish that it might be printed on any suitable occasion. Mr. Rossetti explains that he ought to have printed it in his "Ruskin, Rossetti, and Pre-Raphaelitism," but it escaped him to do so; in his article in the *Burlington Magazine* in 1903 he extracted a sentence or two, and he now gives the full text, which extends to nearly a page and is the eloquent and discriminating tribute to be expected from such a source. Five unpublished poems by Elizabeth Siddal are given, the last of which, entitled by Mr. Rossetti "Lord, May I Come?" he surmises from the handwriting must have been done when under the influence of the opiate which she took to still her tormenting neuralgia not long her death. Some new details are given about the love affair between Christina Rosfetti and Charles Cayley, the clever, unprosperous, and unworldly man of letters whom Christina would have married had he been a Christian. For 22 years after he had been rejected they met frequently, Cayley being one of the few visitors to the silent house in Torrington Square where Christina lived with her mother and two aunts. At the age of sixty he suddenly died. He appointed Christina to be his executor, and she preserved with all care his writings and belongings. Her brother writes that Cayley continued to be a living personality in her heart until her high and pain-troubled life came to an end in 1894. The short lyric "One Seaside Grave" does not relate, as is generally supposed, to her brother Dante Gabriel but to Charles Cayley, who lies buried at Hastings. A poignant chapter, which arouses also other emotions, recounts the death of the poetess. Her brother had noted in his diary the details of her last days, and on two occasions had written more extended notes. One touching passage in these runs:—"I asked her whether she would like me to read to her, as from the Gospels. She says she is now too far gone for this. She finds even that in repeating the Lord's Prayer she wanders off into some other prayer." It is not difficult to have a certain admiration for the alert, unsentimental attitude of the writer who was able carefully to record at such a time the deathbed scenes of one who in a sense belonged to the world, but many will feel that in acquiring the biographical habit Mr. Rossetti has lost something that is still commonly esteemed.

The autobiographical part, although it is somewhat diffuse and strays into matters that can only have remote concern to the reader, presents a busy and interested life which touched many shades of society. There is a strangely interesting picture of the Rossetti family in the house in the dingy, disrespectable *cul-de-sac* behind Oxford-street, visited chiefly by Italian refugees; the father busy with teaching and writing unremunerative books, the mother cooking and planning dresses; the passionate little Dante Gabriel and Christina, the "good little boy" William, and the clever and inventive Maria who was the eldest, playing in its dreary rooms. There were few pictures of decorations in the house and very few pennies to spend. A very occasional trip to Buckinghamshire was their only glimpse of the country. In 1845 William Rossetti became a clerk in the Excise Office, in the days before examination, taking an oath of office declaring himself "well affected to the present Government." One of his fellow-clerks was an ancient in knee breeches who was often late at the office owing to his practice never to miss a hanging at Old Bailey. Another clerk was arrested for poisoning his mother; another behind-hand with his accounts, bolted to Edinburgh and lived in the Canongate, "then a sanctuary outside the law." He continued in the Inland Revenue until 1894, when he retired, but acted latterly as refree for the valuation of pictures for estate duty. We would gladly hear more of this secret and interesting side of his work, but here Mr. Rossetti is discretion itself.

Side by side with his official life was his busy career as art critic, biographer, and worker in many departments of literature. Few of the big figures in mid-Victorian art or literature did not come at one time or other before Mr. Rossetti's friendly and observant eye. He is one of those happy persons who do not "take sides," and even the storms that led to the breaking up of the Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood, the Whistler controversy, and the many other battles of that fierce and characterful era rarely disturbed his friendly relations with all parties. Moreover he has a plentiful supply of fresh and good stories of famous people about whom we never expected again to hear a story. He has even a new Whistler story—how after the Ruskin case Whistler gave a grand *dejeuner*, excellently served by liveried servants. One lady congratulated the painter on his men, and he replied "Oh, yes; I assure you they wouldn't leave me."

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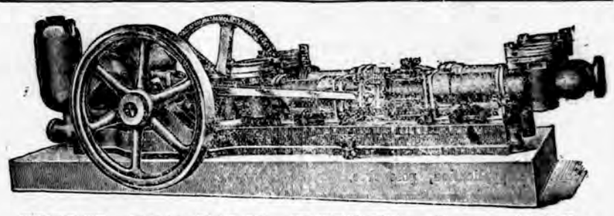

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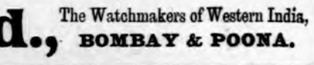

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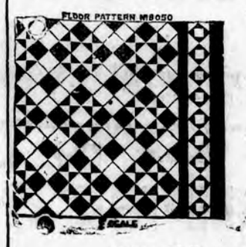

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